# Primitive Physick:

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#### EASY and NATURAL

## METHOD

OF CURING MOST

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### PREFACE.

XXXHEN MAN came first out of w the Hands of the great Creator, clothed in Body as well as in Soul, with Immortality and Incorruption, there was no Place for Phyfick, or the Art of Healing. As he knew no Sin, so he knew no Pain, no Sickness, Weakness, or bodily Disorder. The Habitation wherein the angelick Mind, the Divine Particula Auræ abode, although originally formed out of the Dust of the Earth, was liable to no Decay. It had no Seeds of Corruption or Dissolution within itself. And there was nothing without to injure it: Heaven and Earth and all the Hofts of them were mild, benign and friendly to human Nature. The entire Creation was at Peace with Man, fo A 2 long

long as Man was at Peace with his Creator. So that well might the Morning Stars fing together, and all the Sons of God shout for Joy.

2. But fince Man rebell'd against the Sovereign of Heaven and Earth, how entirely is the Scene changed! The incorruptible Frame hath put on Corruption, the Immortal has put on Mortality. The Seeds of Weakness and Pain, of Sickness and Death, are now lodged in our inmost Substance: Whence a thousand Disorders continually fpring, even without the Aid of external Violence. And how is the Number of these increased, by every Thing round about us? The Heavens, the Earth, and all Things contained therein, conspire to punish the Rebels against their Creator. The Sun and Moon fhed unwholesome Influences from above; the Earth exhales poisonous Damps from beneath: The Beafts of the Field, the Birds of the Air, the Fishes of the Sea, are in a State of Hostility: The Air itself that furrounds us on every Side, is replete with the Shafts of Death: Yea, the Food we eat, daily saps the Foundation of the Life, which cannot be sustained without it. So has the LORD of All secured the Execution of his Decree, "Dust thou art, and unto Dust shalt thou return."

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3. But can there Nothing be found to lessen those Inconveniences, which cannot be wholly removed? To foften the Evils of Life, and prevent in Part the Sickness and Pain to which we are continually exposed? Without Question there may. One grand Preventive of Pain and Sickness of various Kinds, seems intimated by the great Author of Nature, in the very Sentence that intails Death upon us: "In the Sweat of thy Face shalt thou eat Bread, 'till thou return to the Ground." The Power of Exercise both to preserve and restore Health, is greater than can well be conceived: Especially in those who add Temperance thereto; who if they do not confine themselves altogether to eat ither "Bread or the Herb of the Field," (which God does not require them to do) yet steadily observe both that Kind and Measure of Food, which Experience shews marin. to

to be most friendly to Health and Strength.

4. 'Tis probable, PHYSICK, as well as RELIGION, was in the first Ages chiefly traditional: Every Father delivering down to his Sons, what he had himself in like Manner received, concerning the Manner of Healing both outward Hurts, and the Difeases incident to each Climate, and the Medicines which were of the greatest Efficacy for the Cure of each 'Tis certain, this is the Me-Disorder. thod wherein the Art of Healing is preferved among the Americans to this Day. Their Diseases indeed are exceeding few; nor do they often occur, by Reason of their continual Exercise, and ('till of late, universal) Temperance. But if any is fick, or bit by a Serpent, or torn by wild Beast, the Fathers immediately tell their Children what Remedy to apply And 'tis rare, that the Patient suffer long; those Medicines being quick, a well as generally infallible.

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5. Hence perhaps it was that the Antients, not only of Greece and Rome, but even of barbarous Nations, usually affign'd Physick a Divine Original. And indeed it was a natural Thought, That He who had taught it to the very Beasts and Birds, the Cretan Stag, the Egyptian Ibis, could not be wanting to teach Man,

Sanctius bis Animal, mentisque capacius alta:

Yea sometimes, even by those meaner Creatures: For it was easy to infer, " If this will heal that Creature, whose Flesh s nearly of the same Texture with mine, then in a parallel Case it will heal me." The Trial was made. The Cure was wrought. And Experience and Physick grew up together.

6. And has not the Author of Nature aught us the Use of many other Mediick, a fines, by what is vulgarly term'd Accient? Thus one walking some Years since in a Grove of Pines, at a Time when maby in the neighbouring Town were afflicted Heno

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flicted with a Kind of new Diffemper, little Sores in the Infide of the Mouth, a Drop of natural Gum fell from one of the Trees, on the Book which he was reading. This he took up, and thought-lefsly applied it to one of those fore Places. Finding the Pain immediately cease, he applied it to another, which was also prefently healed. The same Remedy he afterwards imparted to others, and it did not fail to heal any that applied it. And doubtless numberless Remedies have been thus casually discovered in every Age and Nation.

7. Thus far Physick was wholly sounded on Experiment. The European, as well as the American, said to his Neighbour, Are you sick? Drink the Juice of this Herb, and your Sickness will be at an End. Are you in a burning Heat? Leap into that River, and then sweat 'till you are well. Has the Snake bitten you? Chew and apply that Root, and the Poisson will not hurt you. Thus antient Men, having a little Experience, joined with common Sense, and common Humanity,

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manity, cured both themselves and their Neighbours, of most of the Distempers to which every Nation was subject.

8. But in Process of Time, Men of a philosophical Turn, were not fatisfied with this. They began to enquire, How they might account for these Things? How fuch Medicines wrought fuch Effects? They examined the Human Body, and all its Parts; the Nature of the Flesh, Veins, Arteries, Nerves; the Structure of the Brain, Heart, Lungs, Stomach, Bowels; with the Springs of the feveral Animal Functions. They explored the feveral Kinds of Animal and Mineral, as well as Vegetable Substances. And hence the whole Order of Phylick which had obtained to that Time, came gradually to be inverted. Men of Learning began to let Experience aside; to build Physick pon Hypotheses; to form Theories of Diseases and their Cure, and to substitute hese in the Place of Experiments.

9. As Theories increased, simple Meicines were more and more disregarded and and disused; 'till, in a Course of Years, the greater Part of them were forgotten, at least in the politer Nations. In the Room of these, Abundance of new Ones were introduced, by reasoning, speculative Men; and those more and more dissible to be applied, as being more remote from common Observation. Hence Rules for the Application of these, and Medical Books were immensely multiplied; 'till at length Physick became an abstruse Science, quite out of the Reach of ordinary Men.

in Admiration, as Persons who were something more than human. And Profit attended their Employ, as well as Honour; so that they had now two weighty Reasons for keeping the Bulk of Mankind at a Distance, that they might not pry into the Mysteries of the Profession. To this End, they increased those Distinctions by Design, which began in a Manner by Accident. They filled their Writings with Abundance of Technical Terms, utterly unintelligible to plain Men. They affected

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effected to deliver their Rules, and to reafon upon them, in an abstruce and philo-Sophical Manner. They represented the critical Knowledge of Anatomy, Natural Philosophy (and what not? Some of them insisting on that of Astronomy and Astrology too) as necessarily previous to the understanding the Art of Healing. Those who understood only, How to restore the Sick to Health, they branded with the Name of Empiricks. They introduced nto Practice, Abundance of compound Medicines, confifting of fo many Ingredients, that it was scarce possible for common People to know which it was that wrought a Cure: Abundance of Exoticks. neither the Nature nor Names of which their own Countrymen understood: Of Chymicals, such as they neither had Skill, nor Fortune, nor Time to prepare: Yea, and of dangerous Ones, fuch as they could not use, without hazarding Life, but by the Advice of a Physician. And thus both their Honour and Gain were secured; a

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from Time to Time, some Lovers of Mankind, who have endeavoured (even contrary to their own Interest) to reduce Physick to its antient Standard: Who have laboured to explode out of it all Hypotheses, and fine-spun Theories, and to make it a plain intelligible Thing, as it was in the Beginning: Having no more Mystery in it than this, "Such a Medicine removes fuch a Pain." These have demonstrably shewn, That neither the Knowledge of Aftrology, Aftronomy, Natural Philosophy, nor even Anatomy itself, is absolutely necessary to the quick and effectual Cure of most Diseases incident to Human Bodies: Nor yet any Chymical, or Exotick, or Compound Medicine, but a fingle Plant or Fruit duly applied. So that every Man of common Sense (unless in some rare Cases) may prescribe either to himself or his Neighbour; and may be very fecure from doing Harm, even where he can do no Good.

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larly by And in the present, by his Pupil Dr. Dover, who has pointed out simple Medicines for many Diseases. And some such may be found in the Writings of the learned and ingenious Dr. Cheyne: Who doubtless would have communicated many more to the World, but for the melancholly Reason he gave one of his Friends, that press him with some Passages in his Works, which too much countenanced the modern Practice, "O Sir, We must do something to oblige the Faculty, or they will tear us in Pieces."

out any Concern about the obliging or disobliging any Man living, a mean Hand has made here some little Attempt, toward a plain and easy Way of curing most Discases. I have only consulted herein, Experience, common Sense, and the common Interest of Mankind. And supposing they can be cured this easy Way, who would defire to use any other? Who would not wish to have a Physician always in his House, and one that attends B

without Fee or Reward? To be able (unless in some few complicated Cases) to prescribe to his Family, as well as himself?

there of such an Attempt? I answer, The greatest that can possibly be conceived. Is it not needful in the highest Degree, to rescue Men from the Jaws of Destruction? From wasting their Fortunes as Thousands have done, and continue to do daily? From pining away in Sickness and Pain, either through the Ignorance or Knavery of Physicians? Yea, and many Times throwing away their Lives, after their Health, and Time, and Substance?

Is it enquired, But are there not Books enough already, on every Part of the Art of Medicine? Yes, too many, ten Times over, confidering how little to the Purpose the far greater Part of them speak. But beside this, they are too dear for poor Men to buy, and too hard for plain Men to understand. Do you say, But there are enough of these Collections of Receipts. Where? I have not seen One yet, either in

able our own or any other Tongue, which es) to contains only fafe and cheap and eafy Meafelf dicines. In all that have yet fallen into my Hands, I find many dear and many ed is far-fetch'd Medicines: Besides many of so dangerous a Kind, as a prudent Man would eived never meddle with. And against the ee, to reater Part of those Medicines there is a tion? They consist of too many Ingredients. The common Method houof compounding and decompounding Meaily? dicines, can never be reconciled to com-Pain, non Sense. Experience shews, That one Thing will cure most Disorders, at least imes s well as twenty put together. Then their why do you add the other nineteen? Only to swell the Apothecary's Bill: Nay, possibly, on Purpose to prolong ooks he Diftemper, that the Doctor and he nay divide the Spoil. imes

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dicines here set down, I should advise a soon as you know your Distemper, (which is very easy, unless in a Complication of Disorders, and then you would do well to apply to a Physician that sears God) First, Use the first of the Remedies for that Disease which occurs in the ensuing Collection; (unless some other of them be easier to be had, and then it may do just

ust as well.) Secondly, After a compeent Time, if it takes no Effect, use the econd, the third, and fo on. I have ourposely set down (in most Cases) several Remedies for each Disorder; not only because All are not equally easy to be procured at all Times and in all Places: But likewise because the Medicine which cures t ful one Man, will not always cure another of the same Distemper. Nor will it cure the same Man at all Times. Therefore it was necessary to have a Variety. However, I have subjoin'd the Letter I. to those Medicines, which are said to be iny lose fallible.—Thirdly, Observe all the Time nce a the greatest Exactness in your Regimen, or Manner of Living. Abstain from all mixt, all high-feafon'd Food. Use plain Diet, easy of Digestion: And this as vise as sparingly as you can, consistent with Ease which and Strength. Drink only Water, if it ion of agrees with your Stomach; If not, good well clear Small-beer. Use as much Exercise God) daily, in the open Air, as you can with-

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ness in this Course, is often more than half the Cure. Above all, add to the rest, (for it is not Labour lost) that old, unfashionable Medicine, PRAYER. And have Faith in God, who "killeth and maketh alive, who bringeth down to the Grave and bringeth up."

- 16. For the Sake of those who desire, through the Blessing of God, to retain the Health which they have recovered, I have added a few plain easy Rules, chiefly transcribed from Dr. Cheyne.
- I. 1. The Air we breathe is of great Confequence to our Health. Those who have been long abroad in Easterly or Northerly Winds, should drink some thin and warm Liquor going to Bed; or a Draught of Toast and Water.
- 2. Tender People should have those who lie with them, or are much about them, sound, sweet and healthy.
- 3. Every one that would preferve Health, should be as clean and sweet as possible in their Houses, Cloaths and Furniture. II. 1. The

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- II. 1. The great Rule of Eating and prinking is, To suit the Quality and Quantity of the Food to the Strength of our Digestion; to take always such a sort and such a Measure of Food, as sits 1ght and easy on the Stomach.
- 2. All pickled or smoaked or salted Food and all high-season'd is unwholsome.
- 3. Nothing conduces more to Health, than Abstinence and plain Food with due Labour.
- 4. For studious Persons, about eight Ounces of Animal Food, and twelve of Vegetable in twenty-four Hours is sufficient.
- 5. Water is the wholfomest of all Drinks; quickens the Appetite and strengthens the Digestion most.
- 6. Strong, and more especially spirituous Liquors, are a certain though flow Poison.
- 7. Experience shews, there is no Manner of Danger, in leaving them off all at once.

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- 8. Strong Liquors do not prevent the Mischies of a Surfeit, nor carry it off safely as Water
- 9. Malt Liquors (except clear Small beer of a due Age) are exceeding hurtfuto tender Persons.
- hurtful to Persons who have weak Nerves
- III. 1. Tender Persons should eat very light Suppers; and that two or three Hours before going to Bed.
- 2. They ought constantly to go to Bed free about Nine, and rise at Four or Five.
- IV. 1. A due Degree of Exercise is indispensably necessary to Health and long Life.
- 2. Walking is the best Exercise for those who are able to bear it, Riding for those who are not. The open Air, when the Weather is fair, contributes much to the Benefit of Exercise.

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3. We may strengthen any weak Part of the Body by constant Exercise. Thus the Lungs may be strengthened by loud peaking, or walking up an easy Assent: The Digestion, and the Nerves by Riding: The Arms or Hams by strongly rubbing them daily.

- 4. The Studious ought to have stated Times for Exercise, at least two or three Hours a Day: The one half of this before Dinner, the other before going to Bed.
- 5. They should frequently shave, and Bed frequently wash their Feet.
- 6. Those who read or write much, should learn to do it standing; otherwise it will impair their Health.
  - 7. The fewer Cloaths any one uses, by Day or Night, the hardier he will be.
  - 8. Exercise, first, should be always on an empty Stomach; secondly, should never be continued to Weariness; thirdly, after it, we should take Care to cool by Degrees: Otherwise we shall catch Cold.

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- V. 1. Costiveness cannot long consist Therefore Care fhould be with Health. taken to remove it at the Beginning: And when it is removed, to prevent its Return, by foft, cool, opening Diet.
- 2. Obstructed Perspiration (vulgarly called catching Cold) is one great Source of Diseases. Whenever there appears the least Sign of this, let it be removed by gentle Sweats.
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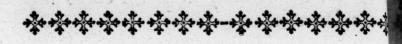
5. The Love of God, as it is the fovereign Remedy of all Miseries, so in particular it effectually prevents all the bodily Diforders the Passions introduce, by keeping the Passions themselves within due Bounds. And by the unspeakable Toy and perfect Calm, Serenity and Tranquility it gives the Mind, it becomes the most powerful of all the Means of Health and long Life.

London, June 11, 1747.

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### POSTSCRIPT.

I. IT was a great Surprise to the Editor of the following Collection, That there was so swift and large a Demand for it; that three Impressions were called for in four or five Years; and that it was not only re-published by the Booksellers of a neighbouring Nation, but also inserted by Parts in their publick Papers, and so propagated through the whole Kingdom. This encouraged him carefully to revise the whole, and to publish it again, with several Alterations, which it is hoped may make it of greater Use to those who love common Sense and common Honesty.

2. Those Alterations are still in Pursuance of my first Design, To set down cheap, safe, and easy Medicines; easy to be known, easy to be procured, and easy to be applied by plain, unlettered Men. Accordingly, I have omitted a considerable Number, which, tho cheap

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3. It is because they are not safe, but extremely dangerous, that I have omitted (together with Antimony) the four Herculean Medicines, Opium,\* the Bark,\* Steel,\* and most of the Preparations of Quickfilver. Herculean indeed! Far too strong for common Men to grapple with. How many fatal Effects bave these produced, even in the Hands of no ordinary Physicians? With regard to four of these, the Instances are glaring and undeniable. And whereas Quicksilver, the fifth, is in its native Form, as innocent as Bread or Water, has not the Art been discovered, so to prepare it, as to make it the mest deadly of all Poisons? These, Physicians have justly termed edged Tools. But they have not yet taught them to wound at a Distance: And bonest Men are under no Necessity of touching them, or coming within their Reach.

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Reason, such Remedies as Air, Water, Milk Whey, Honey, Treacle, Salt, Vinegar, and common English Herbs, with a sew foreign Medicines, almost equally cheap, sase and common. And this I have done on that Principle, whereby I desire to be governed in all my Astions, "Whatsoever ye would that Men should do unto you, the same do unto them."

5. At the Request of many Persons, I have likewise added plain Definitions of most Distempers; not indeed accurate or philosophical Definitions, but such as are suited to Men of ordinary Capacities, and as may just enable them, in common, simple Cases, to distinguish one Disease from another. In uncommon or complicated Diseases, or where Life is more immediately in Danger, I again advise every Man without Delay to apply to a Physician that fears God.

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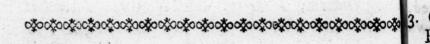
LONDON, Nov. 10, 1760.

OURING the Observation and Experience of more than five Years, which have assed since the last Impression of this Tract, I have had many Opportunities of trying the Virtues of the ensuing Remedies. And I have now added the Word Tried to those, which I have found to be of the greatest Essicacy. I believe many others to be of equal Virtue: But it has not lain in my Way to make the Trial.

In this Course of Time I bave likewise had Occasion to collect several other Remedies, tried either by myself or others, which are interted under their proper Heads. Some of these I have sound to be of uncommon Virtue, equal to any of those which were before published: And one, I must aver, from personal Knowledge, grounded on a thousand Experiments, to be far superior to all the other Medicines I have known; I mean, Electricity. I cannot but intreat all those who are well-wishers to Mankind, to make full Proof of this. Certainly it comes the nearest an Universal Medicine, of any yet known in the World.

One grand Advantage which most of these Medicines have above those commonly used is this. You may be sure of having them good in C 2

their Kind; pure, genuine, unsophistical But who can be sure of this, when the Medi cines be uses are compounded by an Aporbecary Perhaps be has not the Drug prescribed by the Physician, and so puts in its Place " what " will do as well." Perhaps he has it; bu it is stale and perished: Yet " you would no " bave bim throw it away. Indeed be cannot " afford it." Perhaps he cannot afford to make up the Medicine as the Dispensatory di rests, and sell it at the common Price. So he R puts in cheaper Ingredients: And you take nei ther you nor your Physician knows what! How many Inconveniences must this occasion? How wo many Constitutions are ruined bereby? How many valuable Lives are lost? Whereas all these Inconveniences may be prevented, by a little Care and common Sense, in the Use of 1. those plain simple Remedies, which are here colletted.



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### by a 1. Abortion, (to prevent).

- 1. U SE daily a Decoction of Lignum Gu-
- 2. Or, in a fanguine Habit, let Blood.

## 2. For an Ague.\*

- 3. Go into the Cold Bath just before the Cold
  - 4. Or, take a Handful of Groundfell, shred it small, put it into a Paper Bag, sour Inches square, pricking that Side which is to be next the Skin full of Holes. Cover this with a thin Linen,

<sup>\*</sup> An Ague is, An Intermitting Fever, each Fit of which is receded by a cold Shivering and goes off in a Sweat.

and wear it on the Pit of the Stomach, renewing it two Hours before the Fit:—Tried.

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- 5. Or, apply a Handful of Yarrow in like Manner:
- 6. Or, fliced Roots of Water-Lillies: Tried.
- 7. Or, a large Onion flit :
- 8. Or, boil Yarrow in new Milk, 'till it is tender enough to spread as a Plaister. An Hour before the cold Fit, apply this to the Wrists, and let it be on 'till the hot Fit is over. If another Fit comes, use a fresh Plaister: This often cures a Quartan:
- 9. Or, drink a Quart of cold Water, just before the cold Fit. Then go to Bed and sweat:
- one a little before the cold Fit: Two a little before the next Fit: The other three, if Need be, a little before the third Fit. I never knew this fail:
- before the Fit. It commonly cures in thrice taking:
- 12. Or, a Tea-spoonful of Spirits of Hartshorn, in a Glass of Water:
- in a Cup of hot White Wine. Then lie down in Bed and sweat:
- 14. Or, eat a Lemon, Rind and all:
  - 15. Or, drink a Pint of Decoction of Camomile, fweeten'd with Treacle. Take it warm in Bed, and fweat two Hours.
  - Purge, before you use any of these Medicines. I

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a Vomit is taken two Hours before the Fit is expected, it generally prevents that Fit, and sometimes cures an Ague: Especially in Children.—It is also proper to repeat the Medicine (whatever it be) about a Week after, in order to prevent a Relapse. Do not take any Purge soon after.

#### 3. A Tertian Ague.\*

- . Is often cured by taking a Purge one Day, and the next, bleeding in the Beginning of the Fit:
- Or, boil a Handful of Ribwort in Whey. Drink this warm an Hour before the Fit comes, and lie down and fweat:
- Or, a Tea-spoonful of Salt of Tartar in Spring Water. This also cures double Tertians, triple Quartans, long lasting Fevers, and most Diseases rising from Obstructions: Especially if Sena be premised twice or thrice.
- twenty Drops of Spirit of Sulphur, in a Pint of cold Water:
- 20. Or, after Purging, Vomiting or Bleeding, take a Dram of Treacle in Plantane Water, three Mornings:
- 1. Or, apply to each Wrist, a Plaister of Treacle and Soot:—Tried.
- a. Or, use the Cold Bath. (Unless you are of an advanced Age, or extremely weak.) But when you use this, on any Account whatever, it is proper,

\* That is, An Ague which returns every other Day. - In this use the and sparing Diet on the Day between.

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- 1. To bleed or purge, before you begin:
- 2. To go in cool; to immerge at once, but no Head foremost; to stay in only two or thre Minutes, (or less, at first):
- 3. Never to bathe on a full Stomach:
  - 4. To bathe twice or thrice a Week at least 'till you have bathed nine or ten Times:
  - 5. To sweat immediately after it (going to Bed in Palsies, Rickets, and all Diseases wherein the Nerves are obstructed:
  - 6. You may use yourself to it, without any Danger, by beginning in May, and at first juplunging in, and coming out immediately But many have begun in Winter, without any Inconvenience.

### 4. A Double Tertian.

- 23. Take before the Fit, (after a Purge or two three Ounces of Cichory-Water, half a Dram of Salt of Wormwood, and fifteen Drops of Spirit is Sulphur:
- 24. To perfect the Cure, on the Fourth Day at ter you miss the Fit, take two Drams of Sens half a Dram of Salt of Tartar, insused all Night in four Ounces of Cichory-Water. Strain it and drink it.

#### ca lo 18 5. A Quartan Ague.\*

25. Apply to the Suture of the Head, when the

<sup>\*</sup> That is, An Ague which misses two Days, coming on Monda (suppose) and again on Thursday.

Fit is coming, Wall July Flowers, beating together Leaves and Flowers with a little Salt. Keep it on 'till the hot Fit is over. Repeat this, if Need be.

- 26. Use strong Exercise, (as Riding or Walking, as far as you can bear it) an Hour or two before the Fit. If possible, continue it 'till the Fit begins. This alone will frequently cure: - Tried.
- 7. Or, apply to the Wrists a Plaister of Turpentine:
- 28. Or, of bruised Garlick:

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- Dan 29. Or, of bruised Pepper, mixt with Treacle:
- It june o. Or, apply Oil of Turpentine to the small of the Back, before the Fit.
- ithous 1. For a Tertian or Quartan, vomit an Hour after the cold Fit begins. Then go to Bed, and continue a large Sweat by Lemonade, (that is, Lemon, Sugar and Water) for fix or eight Hours. This usually cures in three or four Times: If it does not, use the Cold Bath between the Fit.
  - 2. Or, drink every Morning a Gill of White Wine, wherein half a fliced Sevil Orange is boiled:
  - 3. Or, take for seven Mornings, an Infusion of Sena, with a Tea-spoonful of Cream of Tartar:
  - 4. Or, take for ten, twelve or fourteen Mornings, half a Pint of Water, in which half an Ounce of Sena, and a Dram of Salt of Tartar have been infused twelve Hours:
  - 5. Or, take ten Grains of powder'd Saffron before the Fit, in a Glass of White Wine.
  - 6. Or, take Sugar Candy, three Drams, Ginger, two Drams, Camphire, one Dram.

into a Powder, and take a Dram in warm 2. Water.

#### 6. St. Anthony's Fire. +

- 37. Take a Glass of Tar-Water warm, in Bed, every Hour, washing the Part with the same.
- Tar-Water is made thus—Put a Gallon of cold Water to a Quart of Norway Tar. Stir them together with a flat Stick for five or fix Minutes. Af. ter it has flood cover'd for three Days, pour off the Water clear, bottle and cork it.
- 38. Or, drink just so much Sea-Water as does not vomit or purge, every Morning for feven Days: This is the proper Measure, in whatever Case it It seldom fails.
- 39. Or, take a Decoction of Elder-Leaves, as a Sweat.
- 40. Or, of wild Thyme, applying to the Part a Cloth dipt in Lime-Water, mixt with a little 48. campborated Spirits of Wine.
- Lime-Water is made thus. Infuje a Pound of good quick Lime, in fix Quarts of Spring Water for twenty-four Hours. Decant and keep it for Ufe.
- 41. Or, take two or three gentle Purges. acute Fever bears repeated Purges better than 50. I this, especially when it affects the Head:

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<sup>+</sup> St. Anthony's Fire is a Fever attended with a red and painful Swelling, full of Pimples, which afterwards turn into small Blifters, on the Face or some other Part of the Body. The sooner the Eruption is, the less Danger. - Let your Diet be only Water Gruel, or Barley Broth, with roafted Apples.

Time) apply a Plaister of Venice Treacle:

3. Or, wash it with Water wherein Bran is boiled:

4. Or, boil a Handful of Sage, two Handfuls of Elder-Leaves (or Bark) and an Ounce of Allum in two Quarts of Forge Water, to a Pint. Anoint with this every Night.

## 7 . The Apoplexy.\*

5. To prevent, use the Cold Bath, and drink only Water.

of cold Water, and if possible, pour it down the Throat of the Patient. He will immediately come to himself. So will one who seems dead by a Fall:

7. Or, fill the Mouth with Salt:

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8. Or, blow Powder of White Hellebore up the Nose, and fix a Cupping Glass, without scarifying, to the Nape of the Neck, and another to each Shoulder. But send for a good Physician immediately:

69. If the Fit be foon after a Meal, do not bleed, but womit.

o. Rub the Head, Feet, and Hands strongly, and let two strong Men carry the Patient upright, backward and forward about the Room.

1. A Seton in the Neck, with low Diet, has often prevented a Relapse.

8. Canine

\* An Apoplexy is, A total Lois of all Sense, and voluntary Motion, mmonly attended with a strong Pulse, hard Breathing and Snorting.

#### 8. Canine Appetite.\*

by a small Bit of Bread dipt in Wine, and applied to the Nostrils." Dr. Scomberg.

## 9. The Asthma.

- 53. Take a Pint of cold Water every Night, as you lie down in Bed:
- 54. Or, a Pint of cold Water every Morning washing the Head therein immediately after, an using the Cold Bath once a Fortnight:
- 55. Or, use Water wherein sliced Liquorice steeped, as common Drink:
- 56. Or, half a Pint of Tar Water twice a Day:
- 57. Or, drink Sea Water every Morning:
- 58. Or, live a Fortnight on boiled Carrots only It seldom fails:
- 59. Or, take an Ounce of Nettle-juice, mixt wit clarified Honey, every Night and Morning:
- 60. Or, take a Spoonful of Quickfilver every Moning, and a Spoonful of Aqua Sulphurata, in large Glass of Spring-Water at Five in the Evening, and at Bed-time, 'till you are well.-Tried.
- 61. For present Relief, vomit with a Quart more of warm Water. The more you drink it the better.
- Do this whenever you find any Motion to vomit, at take Care always to keep your Body open.

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An Afilma is a Difficulty of Breathing, from a Disorder in Lungs. In the common (or moist) Afilma, the Patient spits much

## 10. A Dry or Convulsive Ashma.

- 62. Juice of Radishes relieves much; so does
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- 64. Or, Garlick, either raw or preserved, or in Syrup:
- 65. Or, Tea made with Hyssop, or Ground-Ivy, or Daisy-Flowers and Liquorice:
- 66. Or, drink a Pint of new Milk Morning and Evening:—This has cured in an inveterate Asthma.
- 67. Use the Cold Bath thrice a Week :
- 68. Or, beat fine Saffron small, and take eight or ten Grains every Night:
- 69. Or, dry and powder a Toad. Make it into small Pills, and take one every Hour 'till the Convulsions cease.
- 70. In any Afthma, the best Drink is Apple-Water.

#### 11. To cure Baldness.

- Onions, 'till it is red; and rub it afterwards with Honey.
  - 2. Bleeding at the Nose (to prevent.)
- 2. Drink Whey largely every Morning, and eat Raisins much.
- . A D 3. To cure it, apply to the Neck behind and on each Side, a Cloth dipt in cold Water:

74. Or,

74. Or, wash the Temples, Nose and Neck with Bo Vinegar:

75. Or, fnuff up Vinegar and Water:

76. Or, chew Nettle Root, spitting out the Juice: 90.

77. Or, hold a red-hot Poker under the Nose:

78. Or, steep a Linen Rag in sharp Vinegar, burn it, and blow it up the Nose with a Quill.

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79. In a violent Case, go into a Pond or River-Tried.

## 13. Bleeding of a Wound.

80. Make tight Ligatures on the Arms:

81. Or, apply Tops of Nettles bruised:

82. Or, Leaves of All-heal bruised :

83. Or, spread the Ashes of a Linen Cloth thick 04. on another Linen Cloth, and apply it:

84. Or, strew on it the Ashes of a Linen Rag, dip in sharp Vinegar and burnt:

85. Or, take ripe Puff-Balls. Break them wearil and fave the Powder. Strew this on the Wound and bind it on. I.—This will stop the Bleeding of. of an amputated Limb without any Cautery.

## 14. Spitting Blood.

86. Take half a Pint of stew'd Prunes, at lying down, for two or three Nights: Tried.

87. Or, a Glass of Decoction of Onions:

88. Or, four Spoonfuls of Juice of Nettles ever 9. Morning; and a large Cup of Decoction Nettles at Night, for a Week: Tried. 8g. O

with 89. Or, take frequently a Spoonful of the Juice of Nettles and Plantane Leaves, mixt and sweetned with Sugar Candy:

90. Or, three Spoonfuls of Sage-Juice in a little Honey. This prefently stops either spitting or vomiting Blood: Tried.

or, half a Tea-spoonful of Barbadoes Tar on a Lump of Loaf Sugar at Night. It commonly cures at once.

## 15. Vomiting Blood.

92. Take three Spoonfuls of Sage juice in Honey:

93. Or, two Spoonfuls of Nettle-juice. This also dissolves Blood coagulated in the Stomach:)
Tried.

thick 94. Or, one Spoonful of the Juice of Quinces:

of, dip tles and Plantane two or three Times a Day.

## 16. To resolve coagulated Blood.

neding of. Bind on the Part for some Hours a Paste made of Black Soap, and Crumbs of white Bread:

97. Or, grated Root of Burdock spread on a Rag: Renew this twice a Day.

#### 17. Boils.

98. Apply a little Venice Turpentine:

9. Or, a Plaister of Honey and Wheat-flower:

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#### 18. Hard Breasts.

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and mixt with a little Oil of Roses. Change this twice a Day, keeping the Breast very warm with Flannel.

#### 19. Sore Breafts and swell'd.

Mallows in Milk and Water. Foment with it between two Flannels as hot as can be borne every twelve Hours. It also dissolves any Knob or Swelling in any Part.

## 20. A Bruise.

Paper: Tried.

105. Or, clarified Honey :

106. Or rub it with one Spoonful of Oil of Turpentine and two of Neats-foot Oil:

107. Or, apply a Plaister of chopt Parsley mixt with Butter:

108. Or, a Fomentation of Verjuice and Camomile Flowers.

# 21. To prevent Swelling from a Bruise.

doubled, dipt in cold Water, and new dipt when it grows warm. Tried. 22. It

22. To cure a Swelling from a Bruise.

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111. Or, apply Sea-weed.

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#### 23. A Burn or Scald.

Keep it in an Hour, if not well before. Perhaps for four or five Hours: Tried.

113. Or, If the Part cannot be dipt, apply a Cloth four Times doubled, dipt in cold Water, changing it when it grows warm:

114. Or, apply a bruised Onion:

115. Or, Tincture of Myrrh:

116. Or, Oil and Parsley stampt together:

117. Or, apply Oil, and strew on it powder'd Ginger.

## 24. A deep Burn or Scald.

118. Apply black Varnish with a Feather 'till it is well:

Butter. When this is bound on with a Rag, plunge the Part into cold Water. This will sufpend the Pain 'till the Medicine heals.

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# 25. A Cancer in the Breaft, \*

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- 120. Of thirteen Years was cured by frequently applying Red Pappy-Water, Plantane and Rose-Water, mixt with Honey of Roses. Afterwards the Waters used alone perfected the Cure.
- 121. Use the Cold Bath. (This has cured many.) This cured Mrs. Bates of Leicestershire, of a Cancer in her Breaft, a Consumption, a Sciatica, and Rheumatism, which she had near twenty Years.—She bathed daily for a Month, and 128. drank only Water.
- Generally where Cold Bathing is necessary to cure any Disease, Water-drinking is so, to prevent a Relapse.
- 122. If it be not broke, apply a Piece of Sheet-lead beat very thin, and pricked full of Pin-holes, for Days or Weeks, to the whole Breaft.—Purges should be added every third or fourth Day:
- 123. Or, Rub the whole Breast Morning and Evening with Spirits of Hartshorn:
- 124. Or, take a mellow Apple, cut off the Top, take out the Core, fill the Hole with Hogs-greafe, then cover it with the Top, and roast the Apple thoroughly, take off the Paring, beat the Pap well, spread it thick on Linen, and lay it warm on the Sore, putting a Bladder over it.-Change this every twelve or twenty-four Hours:
- 125. Or, take Horse-Spurs and dry them by the Fire,

A Cancer is an hard, round, uneven, painful Swelling, of a blackish or leaden Colour, the Veins round which feem ready to burst. It comes commonly at first with a Swelling about as big as a Pea, which does not at first give much Pain, nor change the Colour of the Skin.

Fire, 'till they will beat to a Powder. Sift and infuse two Drams in two Quarts of Ale; drink half a Pint every fix Hours, new Milk warm.—
It has cured many. Tried.

26. Or, apply Goose Dung and Celandine beat well together and spread on a fine Rag. It will both cleanse and heal the Sore:

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- 127. Or, a Poultis of wild Parsnips, Flowers, Leaves and Stalks, changing it Morning and Evening:
- 128. Or, live three Months on Apples and Apple-Water:
- 129. Or take half a Dram of Venice Soap twice a Day:
- 130. Or, take Brimstone and Aqua Sulphurata, as Art. 60.—This has cured one far advanced in Years. Dr. Cheyne says, a total Ass Milk Diet, about two Quarts a Day, without any other Food or Drink, will cure a confirmed Cancer.

Three inveterate Cancers, which adhered to the Bones were totally cured at Paris, by anointing the Ulcers thrice a Day with Infusion of Leaves of Plumbago in Olive Oil. The Pain which the Application at first occasioned was over in about a Fortnight.

# 26. A Cancer in any other Part.

31. Apply red Onions bruised:

32. Or, make a Plaister of Roch-Allum, Vinegar, and Honey, equal Quantities, with Wheat-flower. Change it every twelve Hours. It often cures in three or four Days:

133. Or.

133. Or, stamp the Flowers, Leaves and Stalks of wild Parsnips, and apply them as a Plaister, changing it every twelve Hours. It usually cures in a few Days.

## 27. Cancer in the Mouth.

Rue with a Spoonful of Honey, for a quarter of an Hour. Gargle with this often in an Hour: 1.

1 35. Or, with Vinegar and Honey wherein half an Ounce of Roch-Allum is boiled:

Pint of Water; then apply Cream. This also fpeedily cures the Shingles: Tried.

137. Or, take an Ounce of Flour of Sulphur, and half an Ounce of Roch-Allum finely powder'd Mix these well together with pure Honey and apply often.

#### 28. Chilblains (to prevent.)

138. Wear Flannel Socks:

139. Or, wash the Hands with Flour of Mustard

## 29. Chilblains (to cure.)

140. Apply Salt and Onions pounded together:

141. Or, a Poultis of roasted Onions hot. Keep on two or three Days, if not cured sooner:

142. Or, hot Turnip-parings roafted, change them twice or thrice a Day.

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43. Wash them (if broke) with Tincture of Myrrb in a little Water.

## 30. Chin-Cough or Hooping-Cough.

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45. Or, rub the Feet thoroughly with Hogs-lard, before the Fire, at going to Bed, and keep the Child warm therein: Tried.

146. Or, rub the Back at lying down with old Rum. It feldom fails:

all 147. Or, give a Spoonful of Juice of Penny-royal, mixt with brown Sugar-candy, twice a Day:

48. Or, half a Pint of Milk warm from the Cow, with the Quantity of a Nutmeg of Conserve of Roses dissolved in it, every Morning.

149. In desperate Cases, change of Air alone has cured.

#### 31. Cholera Morbus, i. e. Flux and Vomiting.

150. Drink two or three Quarts of cold Water, if strong; of warm Water, if weak:

1. Or, drink a Draught of Vinegar and Water:

52. Or, boil a Chicken an Hour in two Gallons of Water, and drink of this 'till the Vomiting ceases.

3. Or, Take fix Grains of Laudanum, and apply a flit Onion to the Stomach. 32. Chopt

# 32. Chopt Hands (to prevent.)

154. Wash them with Flour of Mustard :

155. Or, in Bran and Water boiled together.

156. To cure, wash with soft Soap mixt with rea Sand: Tried.

157. Or, Apply Oil of Myrrh.

## 33. Chopt Lips.

158. Apply a little Sal Prunella.

#### 34. A Gold.

159. Drink a Pint of cold Water lying down in Bed 172. Tried.

160. Or, a Spoonful of Treacle in half a Pint of 73. Water : Tried.

161. Or, to one Spoonful of Oatmeal and one Spoonful of Honey, add a Piece of Butter the Bigness of a Nutmeg: Pour on gradually near a Pint of boiling Water; drink this lying down in Bed.

#### 35. A Gold in the Head.

162. Pare very thin the yellow Rind of an Orange Roll it up infide out, and thrust a Roll into each Nostril.

## 36. The Cholick (in the Fit.)

163. Drink a Pint of cold Water : Tried.

164. Or, a Quart of warm Water : Tried.

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- 165. Or, as largely as possible of warm Tar-water :
- 166. Or, a Pint of Water in which a red hot Flint is quenched:
- 67. Or, drink largely of Camomile Tea:
- 68. Or, of Decoction of Mallows:
- 169. Or, take thirty Drops of Spirits of Turpentine, in a Glass of Water:
- 170. Or, from two Scruples to half a Dram of Yellow-peel of Oranges powder'd, in a Glass of Water:
- 171. Or, beat together into a Cake one Part of stoned Raisins of the Sun, and three Parts of Juniper-Berries; eat more or less according to the Pain:
- Bed: 172. Or, take from thirty to fixty Drops of Oil of Anise-seed on a Lump of Sugar:
- nt of 173. Or, apply outwardly a Bag of hot Oats :
  - 174. Or, bot Water in a Bladder.

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#### 37. Cholick in Children.

Hown 175. Give a Scruple of powder'd Anise-seed in their Meat: Tried.

#### 38. A Bilious Cholick. \*

76. Give a Spoonful of fweet Oil every Hour. —
This has cured one judged to be at the Point of Death.

177. Or,

<sup>\*</sup> This is generally attended with vomiting a greenish or a frothy Matter, with feverish Heat, violent Thrist, a bitter Taste in the Mouth, and little and high-coloured Urine.

177. Or, boil an Ounce of bruised Anise-Seed in two Quarts of Water, 'till half is boiled away, When it is cool, infuse an Ounce of Manna, and four Drams of Glauber's Salts. Drink as much of it as you can. Tried.

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## 39. An Habitual Cholick.

178. Wear a thin foft Flannel on the Part.

# 40. An Hysterick Cholick. +

179. Mrs. Watts, by using the Cold Bath two and 189. twenty Times in a Month, was entirely cured of an Hysterick Colick, Fits, and convulsive Motions, continual Sweatings and Vomiting wandering Pains in her Limbs and Head, with total Loss of Appetite.

180. In the Fit drink half a Pint of Water with a little Wheat-flower in it, and a Spoonful of Vinegar:

181. Or, of warm Lemonade: Tried.

182. Or, a Glass full of Vinegar:

183. Or, take 20, 30 or 40 Drops of Balsam of Peru in fine Sugar: If need be, take this twice or thrice a Day:

184. Or, in Extremity, boil three Ounces of Burdock-Seed in Water, which give as a Clyster:

185. Or, twenty Drops of Laudanum, in any proper Clyster, which thus injected give instant Ease.

<sup>†</sup> Is attended with a violent Pain about the Pit of the Stomach, with great Sinking of the Spirits, and often with greenish Vomitings.

#### 41. A Nervous Cholick. \*

186. Use the Cold Bath, daily for a Month :

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187. Or, take Quickfilver and Aqua Sulphurata, daily for a Month: As Art. 60.

# 42. Cholick from the Fumes of Lead, or White Lead, Verdigreafe, &c.

188. In the Fit, drink fresh melted Butter, and then vomit with warm Water:

and 189. Or, give Glifters of Oil or fat Broth.

Broth, and use Oil of sweet Almonds frequently and largely.

191. Smelters of Metals, Plumbers, &c. may be in a good Measure preserved from the possenous Fumes that surround them, by wearing Cloth or Flannel Musslers twice or thrice doubled, dipt in a Solution of Sea-Salt, or Salt of Tartar and then dried. These Musslers might also be of great Use, in many similar Cases.

# 43. Chops in Womens Nipples.

192. Apply Balfam of Sugar.

# 44. To prevent the ill Effects of Cold.

193. The Moment a Person gets into an House, with his Hands or Feet quite chilled, let him E

<sup>\*</sup> This is frequently term'd the dry Belly-ach. It often continues feveral Days, with little Urino, and obstinate Costiveness.

put them into a Vessel of Water, as cold as can be got, and hold them there, till they begin to glow. This they will do in a Minute or two. This Method likewise effectually prevents Chilblains.

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## 45. A Confumption.

- 194. A beginning Consumption was cured by drinking Decoction of Guaiacum Morning and Evening for fifteen Days (without Sweating) with a light Diet.
- 195. Cold Bathing has cured many deep Consumptions: Tried.
- 196. One in a deep Consumption was advised to drink nothing but Water, and eat nothing but Water-gruel, without Salt or Sugar. In three Months Time he was perfectly well.
- 197. Take no Food but new Butter-Milk, churn'd in a Bottle, and white Bread.—I have known this successful:
- 198. Or, boil two Handfuls of Sorrel in a Pint of Whey. Strain it, and drink a Glass thrice a Day.
- 199. Or, take a Spoonful of Syrup of Fox-glove, Morning and Evening: Tried.
- 200. Or, turn a Pint of skim'd Milk with half a Pint of small Beer. Boil in this Whey, about twenty Ivy-leaves, and two or three Sprigs of Hyssop, drink half over Night, the rest in the Morning. Do this if needful for two Months daily.—This has cured in a desperate Case Tried.
- 201. Or, take a Cow-heel from the Tripe-house ready drest, two Quarts of new Milk, two Ounces

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unces ces of Hartshorn-shavings, two Ounces of Ising-glass, a Quarter of a Pound of Sugar-candy, and a Race of Ginger. Put all these in a Pot; and set them in an Oven after the Bread is drawn. Let it continue there 'till the Oven is near cold; and let the Patient live on this.—I have known this cure a deep Consumption more than once.

- 202. Or every Morning cut up a little Turf of fresh Earth, and lying down, breathe into the Hole for a Quarter of an Hour.—I have known a deep Consumption cured thus:
- 203. Or, take half a Pint of skim'd Milk, put one Spoonful of the best Rum, sweetened with a little Sugar, or Sugar of Roses; take it new Milk warm, lying in Bed an Hour after it: And use for common Drink, eight Parts Water, three Parts skim'd Milk, one Part Rum, sweetened with a little Sugar:
- 204. Or, live on Roisins and Bread, and drink only Decoction of Barley and Liquorice.
- 205. "Mr. Masters of Eversham, was so far gone in a Consumption, that he could not stand alone. I advised him to lose six Ounces of Blood, every Day for a Fortnight, if he lived so long; and then every other Day; then every third Day; then every fifth Day, for the same Time. In three Months he was well.—Dr. Dover. Tried.
- 206. Or, throw Frankincense on burning Coals, and receive the Smoke daily thro' a proper Tube into the Lungs. Tried.
- 207. Or, smoke Balsam of Tolu, like Tobacco.
- 208. In the last Stage, Suck an healthy Woman daily.

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## 46. Convulsions.

209. Use the Cold Bath :

210. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of Valerian-root powder'd in a Cup of Water every Evening:

fix Hours, drinking after it a Draught of strong Infusion thereof.

# 47. Convulsions in Children.

212. Scrape *Piony Roots* fresh digged. Apply what you have scraped off to the Soles of the Feet. It helps immediately. Tried.

# 48. Convulsions in the Bowels of Children.

213. Give a Child of a Quarter old, a Spoonful of the Juice of *Pellitory of the Wall*, two or three Times a Day. It goes thro' at once, but purges no more. Use Syrup, if Juice cannot be had.

#### 49. Corns (to prevent.)

214. Wash the Feet often in cold Water.

#### 50. Corns (to cure.)

215. Apply fresh every Morning the Yeast of small Beer, spread on a Rag:

216. Or, boil the Juice of Radishes, till it is thick enough to spread as a Plaister. Shift it as it grows dry:

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- 237. Or, cleanse from Earth the Root and Herb of Houseleek; crush it with your Fingers and apply it. Renew it every three Hours, for twenty-four Hours: I.
- 18. Or, after paring them close, apply bruised Ivy-leaves daily, and in fifteen Days they will drop out.
- 219. Some Corns are cured by a Pitch Plaister.
- 220. All are greatly eased by steeping the Feet in hot Water, wherein Oatmeal is boiled. This also helps dry and hot Feet.

# 51. Costiveness.

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- 222. Or, boil in a Pint and half of Broth, half a Handful of Mallew-leaves chopt: Strain this and drink it before you eat any Thing else. Do this frequently, if needful:
- 223. Or, breakfast twice a Week, or oftner, on Water gruel with Currants. Tried.
- 224. Or, take the Bigness of a large Nutmeg of Cream of Tartar, mixt with Honey, as often as you need.
- 225. Or, take daily two Hours before Dinner a fmall Tea-cup of flewed Prunes, and a Glass of Wine and Water before and after it:
- in three Pints of Water to a Quart. In this strained, when cold, insufe all Night two Drams of Sena and one Dram of red Rose Leaves. Drink a Cup every Morning.

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as it continues so, it may be cured by chewing immediately after you cough, the Quantity of a Pepper-corn of Peruvian Bark. Swallow your Spittle as long as it is bitter, and then spit out the Wood. If you cough again, do this again. It very seldom fails to cure any dry Cough. Tried.—I earnestly advise every one who has any regard for his Health to try this within 24 Hours, after he first perceives a Cough.

228. Or, drink a Pint of cold Water lying down in Bed: Tried.

Ounce of white Sugar-candy powder'd, and take a Tea-spoonful whenever the Cough comes:

230. Or, make a Hole thro' a Lemon and fill it with Honey. Roast it, and catch the Juice. Take a Tea-spoonful of this frequently: Tried.

## 53. An Astmatic Cough.

Tartar half an Ounce: Boil the Liquorice in three Pints of Water to a Quart. Add the Salt to it when it is Blood warm. Drink two Spoonfuls of this every two Hours.—It seldom fails: Tried.

# 54. A Confumptive Cough.

232. Slit ten or twelve Raisins of the Sun, take out the Stones, and fill them up with the small tender

der Tops of Rue. Take these early every Morning, fasting two or three Hours after:

- 233. Or, boil a Pound of Raisins stoned in a Quart of old Verjuice to about a Pint. Then add a Pound of brown Sagar-candy and let it simmer into Syrup. Take near a Spoonful every three or four Hours.
- 234. To stop it for a Time, at lying down keep a little stick Liquorice shaved like Horse-radish, between the Cheek and the Gums.—I believe this never fails.

# 55. A Convulsive Cough.

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236. Or, boil a Handful of Bay-leaves in Milk, turn this with white Wine, and drink a Draught of the Whey often.

## 56. An Inveterate Cough.

- 237. Wash the Head in cold Water, every Morning:
- 238. Or, use the Cold Bath.—It seldom fails:
- 239. Or, take half a Pint of Decoction of Onions,
  Morning and Evening.
- 240. Or a Spoonful of Juice of Onions:
- one Pound, put them in an Earthen Pot close cover'd for twenty-four Hours. Strain the Juice, and take two or three Spoonfuls Morning and Evening: Tried.

242. Or,

242. Or, mix the Juice of boil'd Turnips with fine 249. powder'd Sugar-candy, 'till it is a Kind of Syrup, Swallow a little of it Drop by Drop from Time to Time:

243. Or, take a Spoonful of Syrup of Horehound 250. Morning and Evening: Tried.

244. Or, put a Scruple of Sperma-Ceti into the 251. Yolk of a new-laid Egg, and fup it up in the Morning fasting.

## 57. A Pleuritick Cough.

245. Powder an Ounce of Sperma-Ceti fine. Work 252. it in a Marble Morter with the Yolk of a new-253. laid Egg. Mix them in white Wine, and take the a small Glass every three Hours. 454.

## 58. A Tickling Cough.

246. Drink Water whiten'd with Oatmeal four Times a Day:

247. Or, keep a Piece of Barley-Sugar or Sugar candy constantly in the Mouth.

59. Violent Coughing from a sharp thin Rheum.

248. Work into old Conserve of Roses, as much a you can of pure Olibanum, powder'd as fine a possible. Take a Bolus of this twice or thrice Day. It eases prefently, and cures in two 6 59. I three Weeks :

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#### 60. The Cramp (to prevent.)

und 30. Tie your Garter smooth and tight under your Knee at going to Bed: Tried.

the 251. Or, be electrified thro' the Part which uses to be affected. This generally prevents it for a Month: Sometimes for a Twelvemonth. Tried.

## 61. The Cramp (to cure.)

ork 252. Stretch out the Limb immediately :

ew-253. Or, firetch out the opposite Arm and clench take the Fist:

254. Or, chafe the Part with Hungary Water:

255. Or, with rectified Spirits of Wine:

256. Or, apply boiled Nettles hot:

357. Or, take half a Pint of Tar-water Morning four and Evening.

#### 62. A Cut.

258. Keep it closed with your Thumb a Quarter of an Hour. Then double a Rag five or fix thin Times; dip it in cold Water, and bind it on: Tried.

## 63. Deafness.

wo 0259. Be electrified thro' the Ear : Tried.

260. Or, use the Gold Bath:

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261. Or, put a little salt into the Ear :

262. Or, Salt Petre :

263. Or, drop into it a Tea-spoonful of salt Water

264. Or, of Juice of Ground Ivy :

265. Or, three or four Drops of Onion juice at ly. ing down, and stop it with a little Wool.

## 64. Deafness from Wax.

266. Syringe the Ear with warm Sage-tea : Tried 267. Or, put in wild Mint bruised, with the Juice changing it often.

#### 65. Deafness with Head-ach and Buzzing in the Head.

268. Peel a Clove of Garlick; dip it in Honey, and put it into your Ear at Night with a little black Wool. Lie with that Ear uppermost. Put the fame in the other Ear the next Night. Do this, if need be, eight or ten Days.

## 66. A Settled Deafness.

269. Take a red Onion, pick out the Core; fill up the Place with Oil of roasted Almonds. Let it Drop stand a Night; then bruise and strain it. three or four Dops into the Ear, Morning and fine, Evening, and stop it with black Wool.

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# 67. To cause an easy Delivery.

70. Peel, flice and fry a large white Onion in two or three Spoonfuls of the best Oil, 'till it is tender. Boil this with half a Glass of Water: Strain and drink it in the Morning fasting, for two or three Weeks before the Time of Child birth.

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#### 68. A Diabetes. §

271. Drink Wine boiled with Ginger, as much and as often as your Strength will bear. Let your Drink be Milk and Water. All Milk Meats are Good :

72. Or, drink three or four Times a Day a Quarter of a Pint of Allum Poffet drink, putting three Drams of Allum to four Pints of Milk .- It feldom fails to cure in eight or ten Days. Dr. Mead.

3. Or, infuse half an Ounce of Cantharides in a Pound of Elixir of Vitriol. Give from 15 to 30 olack or even 40 Drops in Briftol-Water, twice or thrice a Day.

# 69. The Dropfy.

4. Use the Cold Bath daily, after purging: 275. Or,

Drop A Diabetes is a frequent and large Discharge of pale and sweetish ine, attended with conftant Thirst, and a Wasting of the whole g and

A Dropfy is, a preternatural Collection of Water, in the Head, 7. To the Part fwelled pits, if you press it with your Fingers. To Urine is pale and little.

275. Or, rub the swelled Parts with fallad Oil has done Wonders in some Cases.

276. Or, drink nothing but Lemonade, i. e. Lemo Sugar and Water:

977. Or, cover the whole Belly with a large ne Sponge dipt in strong Lime-water, and the squeezed out. This bound on, often cures, eve without any sensible Evacuation of Water:

278. Or, apply green Dock-leaves to the Joints an Soles of the Feet, changing them once a Day:

279. Or, mix half an Ounce of Amber with Quart of Wine Vinegar. Heat a Brick (only not red hot) and put it into a Tub. Pour them up on it, and hold the Parts swell'd over the Smoke covering the Tub close, to keep in the Smoke The Water will come out incredibly, and the Patient be cured:

280. Or, eat a Crust of Bread every Morning falling: Tried.

281. Or, take as much as lies on a Six-penced powder'd Lawrel-leaves, every second or this Day. It works both Ways: Tried.

282. Or, mix a Pound of the coarfest Sugar wit a Pint of Juice of Pellitory of the Wall bruised i a Marble Mortar. Boil it as long as any Scun rises. When cool, bottle and cork it. If ver bad, take three Spoonsuls at Night, and twoi the Morning.—It seldom fails: Tried.

283. Or, boil two Handfuls of Elder-roots in Quart of Water. Strain it and drink a larg Glass thrice a Day for thirty Days. It frequent cures in that Time,

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284. Tar-water drank twice a Day has cured many: So has an Infusion of Juniper Berries roafted, and made into a Liquor like Coffee:

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- 285. Or, take a Spoonful of the Juice of Artichoke-leaves, Morning and Evening:
- 286. Or, three Spoonfuls of the Juice of Leeks and Elder-leaves :
- 287. Or, half a Pint of Decoction of Butchers Broom, intermixing Purges twice or thrice a Week. The proper Purge is ten Grains of Jalap with fix of powder'd Ginger. It may be encreas'd or leffen'd according to the Strength of the Patient:
- 288. Or, of the Decoclion of the Tops of Oak-Boughs. This cured an inveterate Dropfy in fifteen Days:
- 289. Or, take a Spoonful of whole Mustard-seed, Night and Morning, and drink on it half a Pint of Decoction of green Broom-tops. This works both by Stool and Urine:
- 290. Or, use Sal Prunellæ in your common Drink thirty Days:
- 291: Or, take Sena, Cream and Jalap, half an Ounce each. Mix them and take a Dram every Morning in Broth. It usually cures in twenty Days: r wit
  - 292. Or drink Sea-Water, Morning and Evening:
  - 293. Or, abstain from all Drink for thirty Days. To ease your Thirst hold often on your Tongue, a thin small Slice of toasted Bread dipt in Brandy; or, wash the Mouth with Juice of Lemons: Tried.

#### 70. Drowned.

294. Rub the Trunk of the Body all over with Salt. It frequently recovers them that feem dead.

## 71. The Ear- Ach.

295. Rub the Ear hard for a Quarter of an Hour:

296. Or, be electrified : Tried.

297. Or, apply to it a hot Roll:

298. Or, put in a roasted Fig, as hot as may be :

299. Or, blow the Smoak of Tobacco strongly into it:

300. Or, drop in Juice of Goofe Grafs.

#### 72. Ear-Achfrom Cold.

301. Boil Rue, or Rosemary, or Garlick, and let the Steam go into the Earthro' a Funnel.

#### 73. Ear-Ach from Heat.

302. Apply Cloths four Times doubled and dipt in cold Water, changing them when warm, for half an Hour.

# 74. Ear-Ach from Worms. -

303. Drop in warm Milk, and it brings them out:

304. Or, Juice of Wormwood which kills them:

305. Or, Oil of bitter Almonds.

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## 75. Noise in the Ears.

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307. Or, fill them with bruifed Hyffop.

#### 76. Hard Wax in the Ear.

308. Is best dissolv'd by warm Water.

#### 77. Eyes blear'd.

309. Drop into them Juice of Crab Apples.

#### 78. A Blood-shot Eye.

310. Apply Linen Rags dipt in cold Water for two or three Hours:

311. Or, blow in white Sugar-candy finely pow-

312. Or, apply boil'd Hyffop as a Poultis.—This has a wonderful Efficacy.

#### 79. A Bruise in the Eye.

313. Apply as a Plaister Conserve of Roses:

314. Or, a Paste of black Soap and white Bread-Grumbs. But take Care it get not into the Eye.

# 80 Clouds flying before the Eye.

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#### 81. Blindness.

316. Is often cured by cold Bathing :

317. Or, by electrifying: Tried. This has cured even a Gutta Serena.

## 82. Eyes dim or decay'd.

318. Use Eye-bright Tea daily :

319. Or powder'd Eye-bright, both in Meat and Drink.

## 83. Dull Sight.

320. Drop in two or three Drops of Juice of rotten Apples often.

#### 84. Films.

321. Dry Zibethum Occidentale; i. e. Stereus humanum, flowly; powder it fine, and blow it into the Eye twice or thrice a Day:

322. Or, mix Juice of Ground-ivy with a little Honey, and two or three Grains of Bay-Salt. Drop it in Morning and Evening.

## 85. Hot or sharp Humours.

323. Beat the White of an Egg into Water, in which mix fine Sugar, and drop it into the Eye:

324. Or, apply a few Drops of a Syrup made with double refined Sugar, melted in Brandy: Tried.

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325. Or, drop in Juice of Daises Morning and Evening:

326. Or, boil a Handful of Bramble-leaves with a little Allum in a Quart of Spring Water to a Pint. Drop this frequently into the Eye. This likewise speedily cures any Sores.

327. Or, lay a thin Slice of raw Beef on the Nape of the Neck: Tried.

## 86. Eyes inflam'd.

328. Apply as a Poultis, boil'd, roasted, or rotten Apples warm:

329. Or, a thick Apple-paring lying down in Bed: 330. Or, Wormwood-tops with the Yolk of an Egg:

This will hardly fail.

331. Or, beat up the White of an Egg with two Spoonfuls of white Rose Water into a white Froth. Apply this on a fine Rag, changing it so that it may not grow dry, 'till the Eye is well: Tried.

## 87. A Lachrymal Fistula. \*

332. Apply a Poultis of fine Leaves of Rue:

333. Or, Wash the Eye Morning and Evening with Decoction of Quince-leaves:

334. Or, take a Dram of Betony-leaves powder'd daily.

#### 88. Pearl in the Eye.

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338. Or, dissolve a little Sal Armoniac in Rose-Water. Keep this three Days in a Copper Vessel. Drop it twice a Day into the Eye.

## 89. White Specks in the Eye.

339. Going to Bed, put a little Ear-wax on the Speck. This has cured many.

340. Or, a Drop of the Juice of Fennel:

341. Or, of Ivy-juice: Afterwards blow in a little powder'd Loaf-Sugar.

#### 90. An excellent Eye-Water.

342. Heat half an Ounce of Lapis Calaminaris red hot, and quench it in half a Pint of French white Wine, and as much white Rose-Water: Then pound it small and infuse it. Shake the Bottle when you use it. It cures Soreness, Weakness, and most Diseases of the Eye. I have known it 346. cure total Blindness.

#### 91. Another.

343. Infuse in Lime-water a Dram of Sal Armonia powder'd, for twelve Hours; then strain and keep it for Use. This also cures most Disorders in the Eyes.

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- 344. Boil very lightly one Spoonful of white Copperas scrap'd, and three Spoonfuls of white Salt, in three Pints of Spring Water. When cold, bottle it in large Vials without straining. Take up the Vial softly, and put a Drop or two in the Eye Morning and Evening.
- It answers the Intention of almost all the preceding Medicines: It takes away Redness, or any Soreness whatever: It cures Pearls, Rheums, and often Blindness itself.

#### 93. Another.

- 345. Stamp and strain Ground-Ivy, Celandine, and Daisies an equal Quantity: Add a little Rose-Water and Loaf-Sugar. Drop a Drop or two at a Time into the Eye, and it takes away all Manner of Inflammation, smarting, itching, Spots, Webs, or any other Disorder whatsoever; yea, tho' the Sight were almost gone.
- Stephen Fox, when he was used by Sir Stephen Fox, when he was 60 Years of Age, and could hardly see with the help of Spectacles; but hereby in some Time recover'd his Sight, and could see to read the smallest Print without Glass or Spectacles, 'till above Eighty.

Take fix Ounces of rectify'd Spirits of Wine, diffolve in it one Dram of Camphire; then add two

two Pugils of dry'd Elder Flowers. In twenty four Hours after it is infused, it is ready for Use. Take out a little in a Tea-spoon; dip your Finger in it, and Bathe your Forehead over your Eyes, and each Temple with it feveral Times, Morning, and Night, and twice more in the Day constantly. Mean time dip a fost Rag in dead small Beer, new Milk warm, and dabb each Eye a dozen Times gently, Morning and Evening.

If it is a watry Humour, you may with your Finger wet the Eyelids two or three Times apiece; but be fure to shut your Eyes, or it makes them fmart and burn excessively. If you have the Tooth-ach or swelled Face rub it well in on the Part, and it will take away the Pain. It will cure any Bruise also if used immediately: Tried It will cure any Inflammation in the Eyes, by

long course of using.

## 94. Weak Eyes.

347. Moisten the Eyelids Morning and Evening with camphorated Spirits of Wine, keeping the E fhut.

348. Wash the Head daily with cold Water : Trie

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351. Or, use the cold Bath for a Month daily:

- 352. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of Piony Root dried and grated fine, Morning and Evening for three Months: ning
  - 553. Or, half a spoonful of Valerian-root powdered. It often cures in twice taking :
- 354. Or, drink a Draught of Vinegar and Water, ece; every Morning, and a spoonful of Vinegar before the Fit: the
- n the 355. Or, take a Spoonful of the Juice of Rue, Morning and Evening, for a Month:
- ried 356. Or, half a Pint of Decoction of Lignum Guaiacum, Morning and Evening: 1.
  - 357. Or, of Tar-water for three Months:
  - 858. Or, take four Drops of Laudanum fasting, for fix or feven Mornings. This has cured many:
- reningso. Or, use an entire Milk Diet for three Months: It feldom fails:
- 860. Or, take half a Dram of powder'd Misselto Tried every fix Hours, drinking after it a strong Infusion of Misselto: I.
  - 361. In the Fit, blow up the Nose a little powder'd Ginger:
- go 62. Or, Leaves of Assarabacca powder'd. This is the famous Major's Snuff. 363. One

\* In the Falling Sickness the Patient falls to the Ground, either uite stiff, or convulsed all over, utterly senseless, gnashing his feeth, and foaming at the Mouth.

363. One who is subject to the Falling-sickness, may prevent a Fit, if he feels it coming, by this fimple Experiment. Let him always carry with him a Piece of Metal, as broad as he is able to hold between his Teeth, when his Jaws are ftretched to the utmost. When he feels the Fit approaching, let him immediately put this between his Teeth, so as to keep his Jaws at their utmost Stretch. In about a Minute this will bring him quite to himself, and prevent the Fit for that Time.

If one put this Metal between the Teeth of one that is in the Fit, and force them open, 'till his Jaws are at the utmost Stretch, the Fit will im. 371. mediately go off and the Patient very foon reco-

ver.

# 97. The falling of the Fundament.

364. Apply a Cloth covered thick with Brick- Duft:

565. Or, boil eight Beetles, in Oil of Mastich, and anoint the Part, and sprinkle thereon powder'd Egg-shells.

366. Or, boil a Handful of red Rofe Leaves in a Quarter of a Pint of red Wine: Dip a Cloth in it, and apply it as hot as can be borne. Do this 'till all is used.

# 98. A Falling down of the Womb,

367. May be cured in the Manner last mentioned.

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- 368. Drink a Pint and Half of cold Water lying down in Bed : I never knew it do Hurt :
- 269. Or, a large Glass of Tar-water warm, every Hour,
- 370. The best of all Juleps in a Fever, is this: Toast a large thin Slice of Bread, without Burning; put it hos into a Pint of cold Water; then set it on the Fire 'till it is pretty hot. In a dry Heat it may be given cold; in a moist Heat warm; the more largely the better: Tried.
- im. 371. Put an Ounce of Rice in a Pint of Water. Set it near the Fire, 'till it is scalding hot. Then pour it off clear.
  - 72. Or, for a Change, use Pippin or Wood-sorrel Tea: Or, Pippin Posset Drink: Or, Wood-sorrel Posset Drink:
  - 373. Or, Decoction of Violet-leaves:
- Dust: 374. Or, of Strawberry-leaves:
- der'd not breathe near the Face of the fick Person, neitheir swallow your Spittle while in the Room. Infection feizes the Stomach first.

#### 100. A Burning Fever.

- 76. Stamp a Handful of Leaves of Caprifolium; put fair Water to it, and use it cold as a Clyster. It commonly cures in an Hour:
- 77. Or, smear the Wrists, five or fix Inches long with warm Treacle, and cover it with brown Paper.

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#### 101. Continual Fever.

378. If not very violent, take a Dram of Sal Prunellæ, every four Hours, in warm Water, 'till it abates.

#### 102. A Hettick Fever.

379. Drink only thin Water-gruel, or boil'd Milk and Water. The more you drink the better.

## 103. A High Fever.

380. Attended with a Delirium and a Vigilia, has been cured by plunging into cold Water; which is a safe and sure Remedy in the Beginning of any Fever.

381. Such a Delirium is often cured by applying warm Lamb's-lungs to the Head.

#### 104. An Intermitting Fever.

382. Drink warm Lemonade in the Beginning of every Fit: It cures in a few Days: Tried.

383. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of Oil of Sulphur is a Cup of Balm Tea, once or twice a Day.

#### 105. A Fever with Pains in the Limbs.

384. Take twenty Drops of Spirits of Hartshorning a Cup of Water twice or thrice in twenty-four Hours:

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#### 106. A Rash Fever.

386. Drink every Hour a Spoonful of Juice of Ground-ivy. It cures in twenty-four Hours. Use the Decoction, when you have not the Juice.

#### 107. A Slow Fever.

387. Use the cold Bath for two or three Weeks, daily.

## 108. A Fiftula.

888. Grind an Ounce of Mercury Sublimate, in a Glass Mortar, with a Glass Pestle, as fine as possible. Put it into a Glass Bottle, and pour on it two Quarts of pure Spring Water. Cork it close, and for fix Days shake it well every Hour. Then let it fettle for twenty four Hours. Pour it off clear; filter it in a Glass Funnel; and keep it for Use close stopt. Put a Spoonful of this Water in a Vial, and add two Spoonfuls of pure Spring Water: Shake them well together, and drink it fasting. It works both by Vomit and by Stool, but very fafely. Keep yourfelf very warm, and walk as much as you can. The first Time neither eat nor drink 'till two Hours after it has done working. Take this every other Day. In forty Days this will also cure any Cancer any Old Sore or King's-Evil, broken or unbroken. After

the first or second Vomit you may use Watergruel, as in other Vomits .- Wery weak Perfons should not use this.

## 109. Flegm.

389. To prevent or cure, take a Spoonful of warm Water the first thing in the Morning.

# 110. Flooding (in lying in.)

390. Cover the Body with Cloths, dipt in Oxycrate (i. e. Vinegar and Water) changing them as they grow warm. Drink cooling, acid Liquors.

301. Or, take four Ounces of Juice of Nettles, Morning and Evening for two Days, apply meantime a Sponge dipt in Vinegar and red-Wine.

#### III. A Flux.

392. Use the cold Bath daily, and drink a Draught 405. of Water from the Spring:

393. Or, fit over Camomile-Flowers boil'd in Milk:

394. Or, receive the Smoke of Turpentine cast on burning Coals. This cures also the Bloody-Flux, and the Falling of the Fundament :

395. Or, drink two or three Quarts of warm Wa-

396. Or, put a large brown Toast into three Quarts of Water, with a Dram of Cochineal, and a Dram 408. of Salt of Wormwood. Drink it all in as short Time as you conveniently can. This rarely

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397. Or, take a Spoonful of Plantane-feed bruised Morning and Evening, 'till it stops:

398. Or, the Leaves of it boiled in small Broth :

399. Or, three or four Ounces of its Juice :

400. Or, a small Nutmeg powder'd in the Yolk of an Egg:

401. Or, a Dram of the Seed of Flix-weed in two or three Spoonfuls of Broth: I.

402. Or, a Dram of Cork powdered:

rate 403. Or, ten Grains of Ipecacuanha three Mornings fuccessively. It is likewife excellent as a n as Sudorific.

ttles, 404. Or, boil the Fat of a Breast of Mutton in a pply Quart of Water for an Hour. Drink the Broth red- as foon as you can conveniently. This will cure the most inveterate Flux: Tried.

#### 112. A Bloody Flux.

ught 405. Apply a Suppository of Linen dipt in Aqua Vitæ:

lilk: 406. Or, drink cold Water as largely as possible, taking nothing else'till the Flux stops:

Flux, 407. Or, take a large Apple, and at the Top pick out all the Core, and fill up the Place with a Wa- Piece of Honey-comb; (the Honey being strained out) roast the Apple in Embers, and eat it, and uarts this will stop the Flux immediately:

Oram 408. Or, a Dram of Salt of Vitriol dissolved in thort Water:

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rarely fails 409. Or, thirty Grains of powder'd Root of Gladwin, at Night, twice or thrice a Week: It is just as good as Rhubarb in most Cases:

410. Or, Decoction of Primrose-leaves Morning and Evening: Or, of Millet-seed:

- 411. Or, grated Rhubarb, as much as lies on a Shilling, with half as much of grated Nutmeg, in a Glass of white Wine, lying down, every other Night: Tried.
- 412. Or, take four Drops of Laudanum, and apply to the Belly a Poultis of Worm-wood and red Roses boiled in Milk.
- of Rôses lying down: If need be, repeat it. Asterwards take a little Rhubarb:
- Lump of Butter in it, Morning and Evening. It usually cures in three Days.
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- 115. Foment continually with Vinegar, in which Drofs of Iron has been boiled.

#### 114. The Gout in the Stomach.

Glass of Mountain. After drinking it, go to Bed. You will be easier in two Hours, and well in fixteen." Dr. Dover.

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418. Or, boil a Pugil of Tansey in a Quarter of a Pint of Mountain. Drink it in Bed. I believe this never fails: Tried.

419. To prevent its Return, dissolve half an Ounce of Gum Guaiacum, in two Ounces of Sal Volatile. Take a Tea-spoonful of this every Morning, in a Glass of Spring Water.

This helps any tharp Pain in the Stomach.

Dr. Boerbaave

#### 115. The Gout in the Foot or Hand.

420. Apply a raw lean Beef-stake. Change it once in twelve Hours, 'till cured.

## 116. The Gout in any Limb. \*

421. Rub the Part with warm Treade, and then bind on a Flannel smear'd therewith. Repeat this, if Need be, once in twelve Hours. This has cured an inveterate Gout in 36 Hours.

422. Or, mix in warm Water half a Spoonful of Salt, three Spoonfuls of Yeast, with Rye-meal, and spread it on Flannel. Sew this to the Soles of the Feet. Renew this (keeping your Bed) every twelve Hours. It generally cures in three Days:

G 3 423. Or,

<sup>\*</sup> Regard not them who fay, The Gout cught not to be cured. They mean, It cannot. I know it cannot by their regular Prescriptions. But I have known it cured in many Cases, without any ill Effect following.

423. Or, dry Sage in the Sun for a Day. Apply this, and in one Night it will ease the Pain.

424. Or, at Six in the Evening, undress, and wrap yourself up in Blankets.—Then put your Legs up to the Knees in Water, as hot as you can bear it. As it cools, let hot Water be poured in, so as to keep you in a strong Sweat 'till Ten. Then go into a Bed well warm'd and fweat'till Morning .- I have known this cure an inveterate Gout, in a Person above Sixty, who lived eleven Years after.—The very Matter of the Gout is furely destroyed by a steady Use of Mynsicht's Elixir of Vitriol.

## 117. The Gravel.

425. Eat largely of Spinach:

426. Or, drink, largely of warm Water sweetened with Honey:

427. Or, of Peach-leave Tea:

428. Or, of Pellitory of the Wall Tea, fo fweetned:

429. Or, of Decoction of Arfefmart. I.

430. Or, infuse an Ounce of wild Parsley Seeds in a Pint of white Wine for twelve Days. Drink a Glass of it fasting three Months. To prevent 437. its return, breakfast for three Months on Agri- 438. Bony Tea. It entirely cured me, twelve Years ago, nor have I had the least Symptoms of it fince.

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- 431. Take an Ounce of Quick-filver every Morning:—As Art. 60.
- 432. Or, a Cup of Decoction of Lignum-Guaiacum
  Morning and Evening.
- 433. Or, grind together into a fine Powder three Ounces of the finest Steel-filings, and two Ounces of red Sugar Candy. Take from a Scruple to half a Dram every Morning. I.
- 119. To kill Animalcula that cause the Gums to waste away from the Teeth.
- 434. Gargle thrice a Day with Salt and Water.

## 120. To make the Hair grow.

435. Wash the bald Part with a Decoction of Box-

## 121. The Head-ach.

- 436. Rub the Head for a Quarter of an Hour:
- event 437. Or, be electrified: Tried.
- Agri- 438. Or, apply to each Temple the thin yellow Years Rind of a Lemon, newly pared off:
- of it 439. Or, pour upon the Palm of the Hand a little Brandy, with some Zist of Lemen, and hold it to the Forehead:

440. Or,

440. Or, if you have catched Cold, boil a Handful of Rosemary in a Quart of Water. Put this in a Mug, and hold your Head (cover'd with a Napkin) over the Steam, as hot as you can bear. Repeat this 'till the Pain ceases: Tried.

441. Or, drop Juice of Pimpernell into the Ear:

442. Or, fnuff up the Nose camphorated Spirits of Lavender:

443. Or, Juice of Ground-loy:

444. Or, a little Juice of Horse Radish:

445. Or, drink half a Pint of strong Decoction of Ground-Ivy, Morning and Evening.

#### 122. A Chronical Head-Ach.

446. Keep your Feet in warm Water, a Quarter of an Hour before you go to Bed; for two or three Weeks: Tried.

447. Or, wear tender Hemlock leaves, under the 457: Feet, changing them daily:

448. Or, order a Tea-kettle of cold Water to be pour'd on your Head, every Morning in a slender Stream:

449. Or, apply to the Head bruised Cummin-seed, fried with an Egg:

450. Or, take a large Tea-cup full of Carduns Tea, without Sugar, fasting for fix or feven Mornings: Tried,

451. Or, boil Wood-betony in new Milk, and strain it. Breakfast on this for five of six Weeks.

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#### 123. Head-ach from Heat.

- 452. Apply to the Forehead Cloths dipt in cold Water for an Hour: Tried.
- 453. Or, beat white Poppy seed to Powder; mix this with Yolks of Eggs, and apply it to the Temples and Forehead.

#### 124. A Nervous Head-ach.

454. Dry and powder an Ounce of Marjoram and half an Ounce of Assarbacca; mix them, and take them as Snuff, keeping the Ears and Throat warm. This is of great Use even in a Cancer:

455. Or, take half a Dram of powder'd Marum Morning and Evening in any Liquid.

#### 125. An Hemicrania. \*

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457. Or, apply to that Part of the Head shaved, a Plaister that will stick, with a Hole cut in the Middle of it as big as an Halfpenny: Place over that Hole Leaves of Ranunculas, bruised and very moist. It is a gentle Blister.

458. Or, snuff up Smoke of Amber for half an Hour.

# 126. Stoppage in the Head.

459. Snuff up Juice of Primrose, keeping the Head warm.

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<sup>\*</sup> That is, an Head-ach which affects but one Side of the lead.

## 127. The Heart-Burning. +

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- 460. Drink a Pint of cold Water : Tried.
- 461. Or, drink flowly of Decoction of Camomile Flowers:
- 462. Or, chew five or fix Pepper Corns a little; then fwallow them:
- 463. Or, take fix Almonds and twelve raw Peas, and eat them together:
- 464. Sometimes a Vomit is needful, of Ipecacuanha, or Carduus Tea.
- 465. In the Fit, take a Scruple of Salt of Wormwood, in a Spoonful of Lemon Juice:
- 466. Or, a Tea Spoonful of Crabs Eyes, ground to an impalpable Powder.

#### 128. The Hiccup.

- 467. Swallow a Mouthful of Water, stopping the Mouth and Ears: Tried.
- 468. Or, take any Thing that makes you fneeze:
- 469. Or, a little candied Ginger:
- 460. Or, two or three preferv'd Damsons:
- 471. Or, three Drops of Oil of Cinnamon on a Lump of Sugar. Tried.

## 129. Hoarseness.

472. Rub the Soles of the Feet before the Fire, with Garlick and Lard well beaten together, over Night. The Hoarseness will be gone next Day:
473. Or,

<sup>+</sup> A sharp gnawing Pain at the Orifice of the Stomach.

73. Or, take a Pint of cold Water lying down:

474. Or, instead of Supper, eat an Apple and drink half a Pint of Water:

175. Or, swallow slowly the Juice of Radishes:

76. Or, take a Spoonful of Sage-juice Morning and Evening:

477. Or, half a Pint of Mustard-Whey, lying down:

478. Or, a Tea-spoonful of Conserve of Roses every Night: Tried.

479. Or, boil a large Handful of Bran and a few Raisins in a Quart of Water. Strain and sweeten it with Sugar-candy, and use it for common Drink.

480. Or, Fifteen Drops of Balfam of Sulphur on a Lump of Sugar:

481. Or, Dry Nettle-roots in an Oven. Then powder them finely, and mix with an equal Quantity of Treacle. Take a Tea-spoonful of this twice a Day.

# 130. Hypochondriac and Hysteric Disorders.

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483. Or, take an Ounce of Quickfilver every Morning.

# 131. The Jaundice.

484. Wear Leaves of Celandine upon and under the Feet:

485. Or,

483. Or, take a small Pill of Castile Soap every Morning for eight or ten Days: Tried.

486. Or, beat the White of an Egg thin: Take it Morning and Evening in a Glass of Water:

487. Or, as much as lies on a Shilling of calcined Egg-shells, three Mornings fasting; and walk 'till you sweat:

488. Or, half a Pint of strong Decoction of Net-

of Water to three Pints. Let it foak therein for twenty-four Hours cover'd close. Drink a Draught of this three or four Times, and it will not fail.

## 132. The Jaundice in Children.

490. Take half an Ounce of fine Rhubarb, powder'd. Mix with it throughly, by long beating, two Handfuls of good well cleanfed Currants. Of this give a Tea-spoonful every Morning.

# 133. The Iliac Passion. \*

491. Apply warm Flannels foak'd in Spirits of Wine:

492. Or, hold a live Puppy constantly on the Belly.

—Dr. Sydenham.

493. Or, immerge up to the Breast in a warm Bath:

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In this violent Kind of Cholick the Excrements are thrown up by the Mouth in vomiting.

- 494. Or, take a Decoction of the Seed of Dill in Oil and Water, and then a Bit of Bread dipt in Water:
- 495. Or, Ounce by Ounce, a Pound or a Pound and a half of Quickfilver.

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496. Put the White of two Leeks in a wet Cloth, and so roast them in Ashes, but not too much. Stamp them in a Mortar with a little Hogs-grease. Spread it thick Plaister-wise, and apply, changing it every Hour, 'till all the Matter be come out, which it will be in three Times. I.

## 135. Pain in the Joints.

497. Drink Decoction of Herb Robert, and apply as a Poultice.

#### 136. The Itch. \*

- 498. Wash the Parts affected with Arong Rum:
- 499. Or, with strong Decoction of Dock root for nine or ten Days:
- 500. Or, of Hyssop, four or five Days:
- 501. Or, anoint them with black Soap:

502. Or,

<sup>\*</sup>This Distemper, is nothing but a Kind of very small Lice which burrow under the Skin. Therefore inward Medicines are absolutely needless.—Is it possible any Physicians should be ignorant of this?

502. Or, steep a Shirt half an Hour in a Quart of Water mixt with half an Ounce of powder'd Brimstone. Dry it slowly, and wear it five or fix Days. Sometimes it needs repeating: Tried.

503. Or, mix Powder of white Hellebore with Cream for three Days. Anoint the Joints three Mornings and Evenings.—It feldom fails:

504. Or, mix a little fine Bay Salt, and as much Flour of Brimstone, with a little sweet Oil. Rubit well in the Palms of the Hands, and dry it in.—
It commonly cures in three Days:

505. Or, beat together the Juice of two or three Lemons, with the same Quantity of Oil of Roses. Anoint the Parts affected. It cures in two or three Times using.

of. Or, mix an Ounce of Ginger finely powder'd with a Quarter of a Pound of fresh Butter. Use it Morning and Evening.—It cures in four or five Days.

## 137. The King's Evil. |

507. Take as much Cream of Tartar as lies on a Sixpence, every Morning and Evening;

508. Or, drink for fix Weeks half a Pint of a ftrong Decoction of Devils-bit: Tried.

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I It commonly appears first, by the Thickness of the Lips; then common hard Swellings, in the Neck chiefly: then running Sores.

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- beaten up with powder'd Linseed and Hogs-land, to the Sores. Renewing it twice a Day:
- 512. Or, use Lime-water for common Drink :
- 513. Or, the Diet-drink.—I have known this cure one whose Breast was as full of Holes as an Honey comb:
- When it is cold, strew into it a Pound and a half of Quick-lime beat very fine, and searsed through a Hair Sieve. Stir this about till it boil up of itself into a hard Lump. Beat this when cold very fine, and searse it, as before. Take of this as much as lies on a Shilling in a Glass of Water every Morning sasting; an Hour before Breakfast, at sour in the Asternoon, and at going to Bed.
- ter Parsnips, with two Spoonfuls of the Juice of Water Parsnips, with two Spoonfuls of Milk, every Morning fasting, for the six Summer Months. Two Hours after, breakfast on Water-gruel with a little Bread.
- This cures the Scurvy in three Months.

## 138. The Legs inflam'd.

- 516. Apply Fullers Earth spread on brown Paper: It seldom fails.
- 517. Or, boiled Turnips mixt with Mutton-fuet :
- 518. Or, rub them with warm Juice of Plantane.

## 130. Legs fore and running.

519. Wash them in Brandy and apply Elder-leaves, changing them twice a Day. This will dry up 530. all the Sores, though the Leg were like an Ho- 531. nev-comb: Tried.

520. Or, Poultis them with Rotten Apples: Tried. 532.

# 140. The Leprofy. 1

521. Use the cold Bath:

522. Or, wash in the Sea often and long:

523. Or, wash the Parts with Juice of Calamint:

524. Or, mix well an Ounce of Pomatum, a Dram 143 of powder'd Brimstone, and half an Ounce of Sal Prunellæ; and anoint the Parts fo long as there is Need:

525. Or, add a Pint of Juice of Houseleek, and half a Pint of Verjuice, to a Pint and a Half of Possetdrink. Drink up this in twenty-four Hours .-It cures also the Quinfy, and all Sorts of white Swellings on the Joints:

526. Or, drink half a Pint of Cellery-whey, Morning and Evening. This has cured in a most desperate Case:

527. Or, drink for a Month a Decoction of Elm Bark, Morning and Evening:

528. Or, of Burdock-leaves. Tried.

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In this Disease the Skin in many Parts is covered with rough, whitish, scaly Pustules, and if these are rubb'd off, with a Kind of fealy Scurf.

## 141. The Lethargy.

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lry up 530. Or, Powder of white Hellebore:
1 Ho- 531. Or, take half a Pint of Decoction of Savoury, Morning and Evening:

Tried 532. Or, of Infusion of Water-Cresses.

#### 142. Lice (to kill.)

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534. Or, wash it with a Decoction of Amaranth.

Dram 143. For one seemingly killed with Lightning, a Damp, or Suffocated.

535. Plunge him immediately into cold Water:

536. Or, blow strongly with Bellows down his Throat. This may recover a Person seemingly drowned.

#### 144. Lues Venerea.

537. Take an Ounce of Quickfilver every Morning, and a Spoonful of Aqua Sulphurata in a Glass of Water at Five in the Afternoon. I have known a Person cured by this, when supposed to be at the Point of Death, who had been infected by a foul Nurse, before he was a Year old -I insertthis for the Sake of such innocent Sufferers.

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#### 145. Lunacy.

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- 538. Give Decoction of Agrimony four Times a Day:
- Vinegar, in which Ground-ivy-leaves have been infused:
- and white Wine into an Ointment. Shave the Head, anoint it therewith, and chafe it in warm, every other Day for three Weeks. Bruife also the Leaves and bind them on the Head, and give three Spoonfuls of the Juice warm every Morning.—This generally cures Melancholy:

541. Or, Electrify. Tried.

## 146. Raging Madness. \*

542. Apply to the Head Cloths dipt in cold Water:

543. Or, set the Patient with his Head under a great Water-fall, as long as his Strength will bear: Or, pour Water on his Head out of a Tea-kettle:

544. Or, let him eat nothing but Apples for a Month:

545. Or, nothing but Bread and Milk: Tried.

## 147. The Bite of a mad Dog.

546. Plunge into cold Water daily for twenty Days, and keep as long under it as possible. This has cured,

<sup>\*</sup> It is a fure Rule, that all Madmen are Cowards, and may be conquered by binding only, without beating.—Dr. Mead.

cured, even after the Hydrophobia was begun. |

547. Or, mix Ashes of Trefoil with Hogs-lard and anoint the Part as soon as possible. Repeat this twice or thrice at Six Hours Distance. This has cured many, and particularly, a Dog bit on the Nose by a Mad Dog.

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- 548. Or, as foon as bitten, moissen a Spoonful or two of Salt with Water; but do not make it quite fluid. Rub some of it into the Wound, and repeat this three or four Times a Day for ten Days, binding likewise Part of it on the Wound.
- Spirit of Salt, a little diluted with Water, has the same Effect, if it be applied to the Wound immediately, and for several Days.
- 549. Galen fays, none ever failed of a Cure who took two Spoonfuls of Ashes of Craw-Fish daily for forty Days:
- 550. Or, apply Juice of *Dragons blood* mixt with *Vinegar*, outwardly, and drink of the fame Morning and Evening, five or fix Days:
- 551. Or, mix powder'd Liver-wort four Drams, black Pepper two Drams. Divide this into four Parts, and take one in warm Milk for four Mornings fasting. Dr. Mead affirms, he never knew this fail.
- of Ribwert, Morning and Evening, as foon as possible after the Bite. Repeat this for two or three Changes of the Moon. It has not been known to fail.

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## 148. The Measles.\*

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553. Drink only thin Water-gruel, or Milk and Water, the more the better; or, Toast and Water.

554. If the Cough be very troublesome, take frequently a Spoonful of Barley-Water sweetened with Oil of sweet Almonds newly drawn, mixt with Syrup of Maiden-hair.

of catching Cold, use light Diet, and drink Barley-water, instead of Malt-Drink.

## 149. Menses Obstructed.

556. Be electrified : Tried.

557. Or, take half a Pint of strong Decoction of Penny-royal every Night at going to Bed:

558. Or, a Spoonful of Juice or Syrup of Brooklime, Morning and Evening:

559. Or, a Tea-Spoonful of Columbine-seeds, powder'd, thrice a Day:

of Water to half. Strain it, and drink it going to Bed, two or three Nights. It seldom fails. Tried.

561. Or, take from eight to twelve Grains of Calomel, in a Pill, for two or three Nights, taking Care not to catch Cold. It vomits and purges: Tried.

562. Or, pour twelve Ounces of rectified Spirits of Wine on four Ounces of Roots of Black Hellebore, and

<sup>•</sup> This Distemper is always preceded by a violent Cough, often fourteen Days before the red Spots come out.

and let it stand in a warm-Place twenty-four Hours. Pour it off and take from thirty to forty Drops in any Liquid fasting. It is good likewise in the Green Sickness, in all Hypochondrical Cases, and in obstinate Madness.

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563. Or, burn a little Sulphur of Antimony on a Chafing-Dish of Coals, and receive the Smoke by a Funnel. In a few Minutes it will take Effect.

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## 150. Menses Nimii.

of fine Flour stirred in it. At that Time, drink a Glass of the coldest Water you can get, and apply a thick Cloth dipt in cold Water:

565. Or, put the Feet into cold Water:

506. Or, apply a Sponge dipt in Red Wine and Vinegar:

567. Or, bleed in the Arm. Stop the Orifice often with the Finger, and then let it bleed again:

568. Or, boil four or five Leaves of the Red Holy-Oak in a Pint of Milk, with a small Quantity of Sugar. Drink this in the Morning; if the Person can afford it, she may add a Tea-spoonful of Balm of Gilead.—This does not often fail:

of feven Seville Oranges in three Pints of Spring Water to a Quart. Take ten Spoonfuls sweetned with white Sugar, four Times a Day:

570. Or,

570. Or, use daily Decoction, Syrup, or Powder of Horse-tail, Nettles, or Plantane.

of Alum, with a Quarter of an Ounce of Dragon's.

blood. In a violent Cafe, take a Quarter of a Dram every half Hour. It scarce ever fails to stop the Flux, before half an Ounce is taken. This also cures the Whites.

572. Or, take about Six in the Evening, five or fix Ounces of the Juice of Netiles, and apply below the Navel, a Poultis of the same Juice and Wheat-flour. If need be, repeat both at Midnight.

## 151. To resolve Coagulated Milk.

573. Cover the Woman with a Table cloth, and hold a Pan of hot Water just under her Breast; then stroke it three or four Minutes. Do this twice a Day, 'till it is cured.

## 152. To increase Milk.

574. Drink a Pint of Water, going to Bed:
575. Or, drink largely of Pattage made with Lentils.

# 153. To make Milk agree with the Stomach.

576. If it lie heavy, put a little Salt in it; if i curdle, Sugar. For bilious Persons, mix it with Water.

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77. Are of two Kinds; 1. Those which proceed from the Nerves being compress'd by the Swelling of the muscular Flesh: Or, 2. When the Nerves themselves are disorder'd. In the former Case, Temperance and Abstemiousness will generally cure: in the latter, when the Nerves perform their Office too languidly, a GOOD AIR is the first requisite. The Patient also should rife early, and as foon as the Dew is off the Ground walk : Let his Breakfast be Mother of Thyme Tea, gather'd in June, using half as much as we do of common Tea. It should be drunk with the finest Sugar; and Cream may be added if he please: Coffee must be avoided. When the Nerves are too fenfible, let the Person breathe a proper Air. Let him eat Veal, Chickens, or Mutton. Vegetables should be eat sparingly; the most innocent is the French Bean whilst young, and the best Root the Turnip. should be avoided carefully: So should all Sauces. Sometimes he may breakfast upon a Quarter of an Ounce of the Powder of Valerian-root infus'd in hot Water, to which he may add Cream and Sugar. Tea is not proper. When the Person finds an uncommon Oppression, let him take a large Spoonful of the Tincture of Valerian-root.

The Tincture should be made thus. Cut to Pieces fix Ounces of wild Valerian root gather'd in June, and fresh dried. Bruise it by a few Strokes in a Mortar, that the Pieces may be split, but it should not be beat into a Powder: Put this into a Quart of strong white Wine: cork the Bottle and let it stand three

three Weeks, shaking it every Day; then press it ou and filtre the Tincture thro' Paper.

578. Take also as much as will lie on a Shilling of the Powder of Misses, twice a Day, when the Stomach is most empty, fasting two Hours after it; then once a Day, and afterwards every other, or every third Day, 'till there is no more Need of Medicines.

Let this Plant be gather'd in May, and the Leave and Bark dried carefully in the free Air, without Sun, till they are brittle. Let them then be reduced to a fine Powder, and kept in that Form.

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579. But I am firmly perfuaded, there is no Remedy in Nature, for Nervous Diforders of every Kind, comparable to the proper and constant Use of the Electrical Machine.

#### 155. Old Age.

580. Take Tar-water Morning and Evening: 89.

581. Or, Decoction of Nettles: Either of these will probably renew the Strength for some Years.
582: Or, be electrified daily.

## 156. An old stubborn Pain in the Back.

583. Steep Root of Water-Fern in Water, till the Water become thick and clammy. Then rub the Parts therewith Morning and Evening.

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## 157. The Palfy. \*

584. Be electrified daily for three Months, from the Places where the Nerves spring, which are brought to the Paralytic Part. If the Parts beneath the Head are affected, the Fault is in the fpinal Marrow. If half the Body, half the Marrow is touched. A Palfy may be cured in Spring or Summer, but rarely in Winter.

585. Or, use the cold Bath, if you are under Fifty,

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Hill 586. Or, shred white Onions, and bake them gently in an earthen Pot, 'till they are foft, spread a thick Plaister of this, and apply it to the benum'd Part, all over the Side, if need be: Tried.

87. Or, take Tar-water, Morning and Evening

88. Or, boil white and red Sage, a Handful of each in a Quart of white Wine. Strain and bot-Take a small Glass Morning and Even-This helps all Nervous Diforders: ing.

ing: 89. Or, apply to the Parts boil'd Sage-leaves hot; and drink Decoction of Sage Morning and these Evening:

ears. 90. Or, of Water-dock, applying the boil'd Leaves.

## 158. Pally of the Hands.

91. Wash them often in Decoclion of Sage as hot as you can bear:

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592. Or,

<sup>\*</sup> A Palfy is the Loss of Motion or Feeling, or both, in any parular Part of the Body.

or three Spoonfuls of Mustard-seed in a Quart of Water. Wash often in this, as hot as may be.

## 159. Palfy of the Mouth.

593. After Purging well, chew Mustard-seed often:

594. Or, hold in your Mouth half an Ounce of Spirit of Lavender:

595. Or, gargle with Juice of Wood-fage.

#### 160. Palfy from working with White Lead or Verdigrease.

596. Use warm Baths and a Milk Diet.

# 161. The Palpitation or Beating of the Heart.

597. Drink a Pint of cold Water :

598. Or, apply outwardly a Rag dipt in Vinegar:

599. Or, be electrified : Tried.

600. Or, take a Decoction of Mother-wort every Night.

## 162. The Piles (to prevent.)

601. Wash the Parts often with cold Water.

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603. Or, a Tobacco-leaf steep'd in Water twenty-four Hours:

604. Or, a Poultis of boil'd Brook-lime. It seldom fails:

605. Or, a bruised Onion skin'd; or roasted in Ashes. It persectly cures the dry Piles:

606. Or, Leeks fried in Butter :

607. Or, Varnish. It perfectly cures both the blind and bleeding Piles: Tried.

608. Or, fumigate with House-leek, boiled in white Wine.

609 Or, with Vinegar, wherein red hot Flints have been quenched. This foftens even schirrhous. Tumours.

#### 164. The Inward Piles.

610. Drink largely of Treacle and Water:

611. Or, swallow a Pill of Pitch. One Pill usually cures the bleeding Piles.

612. Or, drink a Spoonful of Juice of Yarrow, or of Leeks, three or four Mornings: Tried.

of Brimstone twice a Day in a Cup of Water-Gruel.

## 165. Violent bleeding Piles.

614. Lightly boil Juice of Nettles, with a little Sugar: Take two Ounces. It feldom needs repeating.

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## 166. The Plague (to prevent.)

615. Eat Marigold Flowers daily, as a Sallad, with Oil and Vinegar:

616. Or, a little of the Tops of Rue, with Bread and Butter, every Morning:

617. Or, infuse Rue, Sage, Mint, Rosemary, Worm-wood, of each a Handful, in two Quarts of the sharpest Vinegar, over warm Embers for eight Days. Then strain it through a Flannel, and add half an Ounce of Camphire, dissolved in three Ounces of rectified Spirits of Wine. With this wash the Loins, Face, and Mouth, and snuff a little up the Nose when you go abroad. Smell to a Spunge dipt therein, when you approach insected Persons or Places.

## 167. The Plague (to cure.)

618. Gold Water alone, drank largely, has cured it:

619. Or, an Ounce or two of the Juice of Marigalds:

620. Or, take a Dram of Angelica powder'd every fix Hours. It is a strong Sweat:

621. Or, after bleeding fifty or fixty Ounces, drink very largely of Water sharpened with Spirit of Vitriol:

622. Or, a Draught of Brine as foon as feized; fweat in Bed; take no other Drink for fome Hours.

623. Use Lemon-juice largely in every Thing.

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## 168. The Pleurify. \*

- 624. Apply to the Side Onions roasted in the Embers, mixt with Cream:
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- 626. Or, take out the Core of an Apple, fill it with white Frankincense; stop it close with the Piece you cut out, and roast it in Ashes. Mash and eat it. I.
- 627: Or, a Glass of Tar-water, warm, every half Hour:
- 628. Or, of Decoction of Nettles; and apply the Herb hot, as a Poultis: Tried.
- 629. Or, a Plaister of Flour of Brimstone and White of an Egg: Tried.

## 169. To one Poison'd.

- 630. Give one or two Drams of distill'd Verdigrease:
  It vomits in an Instant:
- 631. Let one poison'd with Mercury Sublimate, dissolve an Ounce of Salt of Wormwood in a Gallon of Water, and drink largely of it. This will intirely destroy the Force of the Poison, if it be used soon.
- 632. Nothing cures the African Poison, but a Decoction of the Roots of the Sensitive Plant.

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<sup>\*</sup> A Pleurify is a Fever attended with a riplent Pain in the Side, and a Pulfe remarkably hard.

#### 170. Polypus in the Nose.

633. Powder a Lump of Alum and snuff it up frequently. Then dissolve powder'd Alum in Brandy; dip Lint therein, and apply it, at going to Bed.

## 171. A Prick or Gut that festers.

634. Apply Turpentine.

#### 172. An easy Purge.

635. Drink a Pint of warmish Water fasting, walking after it:

636. Or, infuse from half a Dram to two Drams of Damask Rose-leaves dried, in half a Pint of warm Water for twelve Hours:

637. Or, infuse thee Drams of Sena, and a Scruple of Salt of Tartar, in half a Pint of River Water for twelve Hours. Then strain and take it in the Morning.

with Sena, but of greater Virtue. Its Leaves taken in the same Quantity purge sull as well, and do not gripe as Sena does. It is therefore far preserable to that which is brought from Turkey or Italy.

## 173. Astronger Purge.

639. Drink half a Pint of strong Decoction of Dock-root:

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640. Or, two Drams of the powder'd Root of Monks Rhubarb, with a Scruple of Ginger.

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- 641. Apply a large White-bread Toast, half an Inch thick, dipt in *Brandy*, to the Crown of the Head, 'till it dries:
- 642. Or, drink a Quart of cold Water lying down in Bed:
- 643. Or, swallow slowly white Rose-water, mixt with Syrup of Mulberries: Tried.
- 644. Or, Juice or Jelly of black Currants, or Decoction of the Leaves or Bark.

## 175. The Rheumatism. †

- 645. Use the cold Bath, with Rubbing and Sweating:
- 646. Or rub in warm Treacle, and apply to the Part a brown Paper smeared therewith: Change it in twelve Hours: Tried.
- 647. Or, drink very largely of warm Water in Bed:
- 648. Or, Tar-water Morning and Evening.
- 649. Or, steep fix or seven Cloves of Garlick, in half a Pint of white Wine. Drink it lying down. It sweats, and frequently cures at once:

650. Or,

<sup>\*</sup> The Quinfy is, A Fever attended with Difficulty of Swallowing, and often of Breathing.

<sup>†</sup> Rheumatical Pains are generally most violent as soon as you re warm in Bed.

650. Or, mix Flour of Brimstone with Honey, equal Quantities. Take three Tea-spoonfuls at Night two in the Morning; and one afterwards Morning and Evening, 'till cured. This succeeds oftener than any Remedy I have found:

651. Or, take Morning and Evening, as much Lignum Guaiacum powder'd, as lies on a Shilling;

652. Or, as much Flour of Sulphur, washing it down with Decoction of Lignum Guaiacum:

653. Or, live on New Milk Whey and white Bread for fourteen Days. This has cured in a desperate Case.

654. Or, pound the green Stalks of English Rhubarb in May, with an equal Quantity of lump Take a Nutmeg of this three or four 663. Times a Day.

## 176. To restore the Strength after a Rheumatism.

655. Make a strong Broth of Cow heels, and wall the Parts with it warm twice a Day. It has restored one who was quite a Cripple, having no Strength left either in his Leg, Thigh, or Loins

177. The Rickets (to prevent or cure.)

656. Wash the Child every Morning in cold Water.

## 178. Ring Worms.

657. Apply rotten Aples :

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660. Or, wash them with Decoction of Soap-wort or Hungary-water camphorated.

## 179. Running at the Nofe.

661. Snuff up a Tea-spoonful of Spirit of Harts-

#### 180. A Rupture.

662. Foment with hot Aqua-vitæ for two Hours:

663. Take Agrimony, Spleen-wort, Solomon's-Seal, Strawberry-roots, a Handful each; pick and wash them well; stamp and boil them two Hours, in two Quarts of white Wine in a Vesfel close stopt. Strain and drink a large Glass of this every Morning, and an Hour after drink another. It commonly cures in a Fortnight. A good Truss mean Time is of great Use.

floping from the Side of the Bed to the Ground. On this I lay the Patient upon Pillows, with his Head downward. Then I foment the Part for half an Hour, with Cloths four Times doubled steeped in cold Water, gently touching it with my Fingers. Afterwards I bind on it a many-times doubled Cloth, shaped like a Triangle, wet in cold Water. The Gut is generally restored to its Place in a few Hours. If not, I repeat the Operation twice a Day, and in two or three Days the Disease is cur'd."

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## 181. A Fresh Rupture.

665. Take Docoction of Plantane-leaves, Morning and Evening:

666. Or, dry a Spoonful of Plantane-feed by the Fire; boil it in Milk, and take half a Pint every 674. Morning.

## 182. A Rupture in Children.

667. Boil a Spoonful of Egg-shells dried in an Oven and powder'd, in a Pint of Milk to three Quarters of a Pint. Feed the Child constantly with Bread boil'd in this Milk.

## 183. A Windy Rupture.

668. Warm Cow-Dung well. Spread it thick of Leather, strewing some Cummin-seeds on it. and apply it hot. When cold put on a new one. commonly cures a Child (keeping his Bed) in two Days.

#### 184. A Scald Head.

669. Anoint it with Barbadoes-Tar:

670. Or, with Yarrow Ointment made with Goofe Greafe :

671. Or, apply daily White-Wine Vinegar. Tried.

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#### 185. The Sciatica. \*

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- 673. Or use cold Bathing, and sweat, together with the Flesh-brush twice a Day:
- fix Hours:
  - 675. "Many have been cured in four or five Days, only by drinking half a Pint of cold Water daily, in the Morning, and at four in the Afternoon."
- ven, 676. Or, apply pounded Roots of Burdock and of Elecampane cold This usually cures, if kept on twenty-four Hours; but it gives Pain:
  - 677. Or, boil Nettles 'till soft. Foment with the Liquor, then apply the Herb as a Poultis.—I have known this cure a Sciatica of sorty-five Years standing:
  - 978. Or, boil *Calamint*; apply this as a Poultis, shifting it daily. Mean time drink a Decoction of it Morning and Evening.
  - 679. Or, apply Flannels dipt in stale Lie, boil'd with Salt as hot as you can bear, for an Hour:
  - 680. Or, a Mud made of powder'd Pitcoal and Water. This also cures Palsies, Weakness of the Limbs, most Disorders of the Legs and Swellings and Stiffness of the Joints. It cured a Swelling of the Elbow Joint, tho' accompanied with a Fistula, arising from a Caries of the Bone.

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<sup>\*</sup> The Sciatica is a violent Pain in the Hip, chiefly in the Joint of The the Thigh Bone.

# 186. Inflammations or Swelling of the Scrotum.

781. Wash it thrice a Day with strong Decoction of Agrimony.

187. A Scorbutick Atrophy. \*
682. Use cold Bathing: Which also cures all

188. Scorbutick Pains.

#### 189. Scorbutick Sores.

683. Put half a Pound of fresh shav'd Lignum Guaiacum, and half an Ounce of Sena into an Earthen Pot, that holds six Quarts. Add sive Quarts of soft Water, and lute the Pot close. Set this in a Kettle of cold Water, and put it over a Fire, 'till it has boiled three Hours. Let it stand in the Kettle 'till cold. When it has stood one Night drink daily half a Pint, new Milk-warm, fasting, and at Four in the Asternoon. Wash with a little of it. In three Months all the Sores will be dried up. Tried.

#### 190. The Scurvy. +

684. Live on Turnips for a Month:

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\* Such a Degree of Scurvy, as causes the Flesh to waste away like a Consumption.

<sup>†</sup> The Scurvy is known by Heaviness of Body, Weariness, Rottenness of Gums, and Yellow, Lead or Violet-colour'd Spots on the Legs.

- 686. Or, take Tar-water Morning and Evening, for three Months:
- 687. Or, Infusion of Horse-radish.

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- 688. Or, Decoction of great Water-dock. Perhaps there is not in Nature, a more effectual Plant for the Scurvy than Water-dock: Especially when it appears in cutaneous Eruptions. But fometimes it requires Patience. The best Way of making the Decoction is this: Put half a Pound of the Bark from the Root in an earthen Vessel. Pour on it Six Pints of Rain-water, and boil it gently, till a Quart is wasted. keep it in a cool Place for Use. You may drink half a Pint warm two, three or four Times a Day. It cures also Relaxation, or Wind at the Stomach, and all Diforders proceeding therefrom. It cures all Difeases of the Nerves, as Twitchings, Contractions, Tremblings, Convulsions, Palsies, sebrile Heats and Colds, Head-achs, Vertigos, Vapours, Melancholy.
- 689. Or, three Spoonfuls of Nettle Juice every Morning:
- 690. Or, infuse dried Dock-roots in your common Drink:
- 691. Or, use Insusion or Powder of Wall rue, Morning and Evening.—See Art. 515.
- 692. Or, pound into a Pulp Sevil Oranges fliced, Rind and all, and Powder Sugar, equal Quantities. Take a Tea-spoonful three or four Times a Day: Tried.
- 693. Or, squeeze the Juice of half a Sevil Orange into a Pint of Milk over the Fire. Sweeten the Whey with Loaf-Sugar, and drink

it every Morning, new Milk warm: To make any Whey, Milk should be skim'd, after it is boiled.

694. Or, boil Scurvy-grass and Sorrel in Broth, and feed upon it daily.

695. Water and Garden Cresses, Mustard, and Juice of Scurvy grass help in a cold Scurvy:

696. When there is a continual falt Taste in the Mouth, take a Pint of Lime-water Morning and Evening.

#### 191. A Broken Shin.

697. Bind a dry Oak-leaf upon it.

# 192. The Shingles. \*

698. Drink Sea-water every Morning for a Week; toward the Close, bathe also.

# 193. Sickishness in the Morning.

699. Eat nothing after Six in the Evening.

# 194. Sinew shrunk from a Cut.

700. Rub it every Morning with fasting Spittle.

# 195. Skin rubb'd off.

701. Apply pounded All-heal.—It seldom needs repeating.

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<sup>\*</sup> A Kind of Ring-Worm, which incircles the Body, like a Belt, of an Hand's Breadth.

#### 196. Small Pox.

702. Drink largely of Toast and Water :

703. Or, let your whole Food be Milk and Water, mixt with a little white Bread: Tried.

704. Or, Milk and Apples:

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705. Take Care to have a free, pure, and cool Air. Therefore open the Casement every Day, only do not let it chill the Patient:

706. If they strike in, and Convulsions follow, drink a Pint of cold Water immediately. This instantly stops the Convulsions, and drives out the Pock: Tried.

# 197. A long running Sore in the Back,

707. Was entirely cured by eating Betony in every Thing.

198. A Sore Mouth.

708. Apply the White of an Egg, beat up with Loaf-Sugar:

709. Or, gargle with Juice of Cinquefoil:

710. Or, boil together a Pound of Treacle, three Yolks of Eggs, an Ounce of Bole-Armoniac and a Nutmeg of Alum, a Quarter of an Hour. Apply this to the fore Part, or to an aching Tooth. Tried.

#### 199. A Sore Throat.

711. Take a Pint of cold Water lying down in Bed:

712. Or, apply a Chin-stay of roasted Figs:

713. Or, a Flannel sprinkled with Spirits of Harts-

born to the Throat, rubbing Hungary-water on the Top of the Head: Tried. 714. Or, snuff a little Honey up the Nose. 715. An old fore Throat was cured by living wholly on Apples and Apple-water.

#### 200. A Sprain.

716. Hold the Part in very cold Water for two Hours: Tried.

717. Or, apply Cloths dipt therein, four Times doubled, for two Hours, changing them as they grow warm:

718. Or, bathe it in good Crab-verjuice:

719. Or, stoop it with one Spoonful of Brandy, two of Vinegar, and four of Water:

720. Or, boil Bran in Wine Vinegar to a Poultis. Apply this warm, and renew it once in twelve Hours:

721. Or, boil eight Ounces of Castile-soap and as much Bay-falt in four Quarts of Water. Put the Part sprained into this for half an Hour; or, foment with it:

722. Or, mix a little Turpentine with Flour and the 735. Yolk of an Egg; and apply it as a Plaister. This cures in a desperate Case.

723. Weakness remaining after a Sprain, is oured by fomenting the Part daily with Beef-brine.

# 201. A venemous Sting.

724. Apply a little Venice Treacle:

725. Or, a Poultis of bruised Plantane and Honey:

726. Or, take inwardly, one Dram of black Cur rant-leaves powder'd. It is an excellent Counterpoilon.

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203. The Sting of a Nettle.

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204. The Sting of a Wasp.

729. Rub the Part with bruised Leaves of House-leek.

730. Or, of Water-Creffes :

731. Or, of Rue:

732. Or, apply Venice Treacle :

733. Or, Common Treacle:

734. Or, bruised Onions.

205. The Sting of a Bee or Wasp in the Eye.

735. Apply Carduus bruised, with the White of an Egg. Renew it is it grows dry.

206. A Stitch in the Side.

736 Apply Treacle spread on a hot Toast. Tried.

207. Frequent or violent Stitches.

737. Drink Decoction of Nettles, and apply the Herbs hot: Tried.

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- 738. Or, boil two or three Sprigs of Penny-royal in a Pint of Milk. Drink the Milk and apply a Poultis of the Herbs hot:
- 739. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of Irish Slate finely powder'd.
- 208. Accidental Sickness, or Pain in the Stomach.
- 740. Vomit with a Quart or more of warm Water. Do this twice or thrice, omitting a Day between.
- 209. Pain in the Stomach from bad Digestion.
- 741. Take fasting, or in the Fit, half a Pint of Camomile Tea. Do this five or fix Mornings:
- 742. Or, drink the Juice of half a large Lemon immediately after Dinner every Day: —Dr. Mead.
  - 743. Or, from twenty to forty Drops of Elixir of Vitriol in Sage Tea, twice or thrice a Day:
  - 744. Or, in the Fit, a Glass full of Vinegar.
  - 210 Cholerick, Hot Pains in the Stomach.
  - 745. Take half a Pint of the Decoction of Ground-Ivy, with a Tea-spoonful of the Powder of it, five or six Mornings. I.

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746. Take a Spoonful of the Syrup of the Juice of Carduus Benedictus, fasting, for three or four Mornings. I.

# 212. Pain in the Stomach, with Coldness and Wind.

747. Swallow five or fix Corns of white Pepper, for fix or feven Mornings. Tried.

#### 213. The Stone (to prevent.)

748. Eat a Crust of dry Bread every Morning:

749. Or, drink a Pint of warm Water daily just before Dinner. After discharging one Stone, this will prevent the generating of another.

750. Stoop down, and raise yourself up again. If you feel Pain, as if cut through the Middle, the Pain is not from the Stone, but Rheumatism.

751. Beware of Costiveness. Use no violent Diuretics. Mead is a proper Drink.

752. In the Fit, slice a large Onion; pour half a Pint of warm Water upon it. After it has stood twelve Hours, drink the Water. Do this every Morning 'till you are well.

# 214. In a Raging Fit.

753. Beat Onions into a Pulp, and apply them as a Poultis, Part to the Back, and Part to each Groin.

Groin. It gives speedy Ease in the most racking Pain: Tried.

754. Or, apply heated Parfly:

755. Or, give a Clyster with Oil of Turpentine.

# 215. The Stone (to ease or cure.)

756. Take Decoction of Agrimony Morning and Evening:

757. Or, of Camomile:

of Water. Drink a Glass of this Morning and Evening, and use no other Drink all the Day. It usually cures in fix Weeks:

759. Or, take daily four Pints of Lime-water made by pouring four Quarts of Water on a Pound of fresh calcined Oxster-shells and Cockle-shells:

760. "Or, take Morning and Evening, a Teafpoonful of Onions calcined into white Ashes, in white Wine. An Ounce will often dissolve the Stone."

761. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of Violet-seed powdered, Morning and Evening. It both wastes the Stone, and brings it away:

762. Or, burn the dried Shells of Kidney Beans to Powder. Put two Tea-spoonfuls of this into a half Pint Tea-pot. Pour boiling Water on it a Night. In the Morning pour it off clear, warm it again, and drink it sweetened with Honey. Do this daily every other Fortnight 'till cured.

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764. Or, drink half a Pint of Water every Morning:

765. Or, Decoction of Speedwell largely:

766. Or, boil an Ounce of Thistle-root and four Drams of Liquorice in a Pint of Water. Drink half of it at a Time fasting.

# 217. Stoppage in the Kidneys.

767. Take Decoction or Juice or Syrup of Ground-Ivy, Morning and Evening:

768. Or, of Pellitory of the Wall:

769. Or, of Juice of Radishes :

770. Or, half a Pint of Tar-water:

771. Or, twelve Grains of Salt of Amber in a little Water.

#### 218. The Strangury.

772. Use the cold Bath:

773. Or, drink largely of Decoction of Turnips sweetened with Honey:

774. Or, of warm Lemonade: Tried.

775. Or, of Decoction of Mallows:

776. Or, of Decoction of red Nettle-seed :

777. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of calcined Egg-shells,
Morning and Evening.
219. Sunburn

# 219. Sunburn, (Smarting.)

778. Wash the Face with Sage-Tea.

#### 220. A Surfeit.

779. Take about a Nutmeg of the green Tops of 86. C Wormwood.

# 221. To Stop profuse Sweating.

780. Drink largely of cold Water.

#### 222. To prevent it.

781. Mix an Ounce of Tincture of Bark with half an Ounce of Spirit of Vitriol. Take a Teaspoonful Morning and Night, in a Glass of Water.

# 223. To cure Night-Sweats.

782. Drink a Gill of warm Milk, at lying down.

# 224. Swelled Glands in the Neck.

783. Take Sea-water every other Day.

#### 225. Swelled Legs.

784. Bathe them every Morning in cold Water, and take an easy Purge twice a Week:

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ea m 85. Or, take Wormwood, Southernwood, and Rue, stamp them together, and fry them in Honey, 'till they grow dry: Then apply them as hot as you can bear.

#### 226 A Swelled Throat.

of 86. Gargle with Decoction of Nettles:

87. Or, of Primrofe-leaves.

# 227. A white Swelling (on the Joints.)

- 788. Hold the Part half an Hour every Morning, under the Stream that falls from a Mill; or under a Pump or Cock.—This cures also any Pains in the Joints. It seldom fails. Tried.
- 189. Or, pour on it daily a Stream of warm Water:
- of 190. Or, a Stream of cold Water one Day, and warm the next, and so on by Turns:
  - 791. Or, apply daily a Bladder filled with warm Water.—Use these Remedies at the first, if possible. It is likewise proper to intermix gentle Purges, to prevent a Relapse:
  - 792 Or, apply a Poultis of Wormwood fried with Hog's-lard.

# 228. To dissolve white or hard Swellings.

793. Take white Roses, Elder Flowers, Leaves of Fox-glove and of St. John's Wort, a Handful of each: Mix with Hog's lard, and make an Ointment:

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794. Or, hold them Morning and Evening in the Steam of Vinegar poured on red hot Flints.

# 229. To fasten the Teeth.

795. Chew often Roots of Brook lime:

796. Or, put powder'd Alum the Quantity of a Nutmeg, in a Quart of Spring Water, for twenty-four Hours. Then strain the Water and gargle with it:

797. Or, boil so much of Alum therein. Strain and keep it for Use:

798. Or, gargle often with Phyllyrea-leaves boiled with a little Alum, in Forge-water.

#### 230. To clean the Teeth.

799. Rub them with Ashes of burnt Bread.

#### 231. To prevent the Tooth-ach.

800. Wash the Mouth with cold Water every Morning: Tried.

801. Or, rub the Teeth often with Tobacco-ashes.

#### 232. To cure the Tootk-ach.

802. Be electrified thro' the Tooth: Tried.

803. Or, apply to it an artificial Magnet :

804. Or, rub the Cheek a Quarter of an Hour:

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805. Or, put a Clove of Garlick into the Ear:

- 806. Or, Parsley much bruised, with a little Bay Salt:
- 807. Or, a Piece of Plantane-root, fresh digg'd up and washed:
- 808. Or, lay roafted Parings of Turnips, as hot as may be, behind the Ear:
- 809. Or, put a Leaf of Betony, bruised, up the Nose:
- 810. Or, lay bruised or boil'd Nettles to the Cheek: Tried.
- 811. Or, a Bag filled with hot Gamomile Flowers:
- 812. Or, lay a Clove of Garlick on the Tooth:
- 813. Or, hold a Slice of Apple flightly boiled between the Teeth: Tried.
- 814. Or, chew the Root of the yellow Water Flower de Luce: I.
- 815. Or, gargle with Decoction of Mulberry-
- 816. Or, put into the hollow Tooth, a little Cotton, dipt in Lucatelli's Balfam:
- 817. Or, a Drop or two of Oil of Choves on Cot-
- 818. Or, diffolve a Dram of crude Sal Armoniac in two Drams of Lemon-juice: Wet Cotton herein and apply:
- 819. Or, apply to the Cheek GumTacamabac spread on Silk:
- 820. Or, keep the Feet in warm Water, and rub them well with Bran, just before Bed-time: Tried:

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821. Or, take an Ounce of Rob of Elder in Broth, and gargle with it.

#### 233. Pain in the Testicles.

822. Apply *Pellitory* of the Wall beaten up into a Poultis, changing it Morning and Evening.

# 234. Testicles inflamed.

823. Boil Bean-flour, in three Parts of Water, one S29.

Part Vinegar. Apply it as a Poultis.

# 235. Extreme Thirst.

824. Drink Spring-water, in which a little Sal Prunellæ is diffolved.

236. To draw out Thorns, Splinters and Bones.

825. Apply Nettle-Roots and Salt: 826. Or, Turpentine spread on Leather.

# 237. Thrush. \*

827. Mix Juice of Celandine with Honey, to the Thickness of Cream. Insuse a little powder'd Saffron: Let this simmer a-while and scum it. Apply it (when needed) with a Feather. At the

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238. Torpor (or Numbness) of the Limbs.

828. Use the cold Bath, with rubbing and sweating.

# 239. Twisting of the Guts.

ne \$29. Many at the Point of Death have been cured by taking one, two or three Pounds of Quickfilver in Water .- Pareus.

240. The Tympany or Windy Drop/y.

30. Use the cold Bath, with Purges intermixt:

31. Or, mix the Juice of Leeks and of Elder. Take two or three Spoonfuls of this Morning and Evening.

#### 241. A Vein or Sinew cut.

2. Apply the inner green Rind of Hazle fresh scraped.

the 12. The Vertigo or Swimming in the Head.

3. Take a Vomit or two :

4. Or, use the cold Bath for a Month : 835. Or. L 2

- 835. Or, drop Juice of *Pimpernel* into the Ear Morning and Evening:
- 836. Or, in a May Morning about Sun-rise, snuff up daily the Dew that is on Mallow-leaves:
- 837. Or, apply to the Top of the Head, shaven, a Plaister of Flour of Brimstone, and Whites of Eggs: Tried.
- 838. Or, drink Morning and Evening half a Pint of Decoction of Primrofe-root: I.
- 839. Or, of Sage washing also the Head therewith:
- 840. Or, take every Morning half a Dram of Mustard-seed.

# 243. Vigilia, Inability to Sleep.

- 841. Apply to the Forehead for two Hours, Cloths four Times doubled and dipt in cold Water. have known this applied to a lying-in Woman and her Life faved thereby:
- 842. Or, use the cold Bath.—It cures even in des perate Cases:
- 843. Or, apply to the Head Leaves of water Lillies
- 844. Or, a Poultice of Henbane and Poppy-seed beaten together:
- 845. Or, use small Doses of Campbire. It is bot safer and surer than Opium:
- 846. Assa-fætida likewise will in most Cases hav as much effect as Opium.

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- 848. Or, apply every other Day powder'd Euphorbium, on Lint: The other Day only a linen Bolster:
- 849. Or, Powder Pit-coal fine and searce it. Mix it into a Paste with a little Water. Apply it daily. This cures soul Bones:
- 850, Or, rub the Place immediately with common Oil. Quere, Would not the same cure the Bite of a mad Dog? Would it not be worth while, to make the Trial on a Dog?
- 851. Or, apply the Anus of a Pigeon to the Wound: Sometimes two are needful.

# 245. To prevent the Bite of a Viper.

852. Rub the Hands with Juice of Radishes.

#### 246. An Ulcer.

- 853. Dry and powder a Walnut-leaf, and strew it on, and lay another Walnut-leaf on that:
- 854. Or, boil Walnut-tree Leaves in Water with a little Sugar. Apply a Cloth dipt in this, changing it once in two Days.
- 855. Or, foment Morning and Evening with a Decoction of Walnut-tree Leaves, and bind the Leaves on. This has cured foul Bones: Yea, and a Leprofy.

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#### 247. An inward Ulcer.

856. Drink Tar-water Morning and Evening: 857. Or, Decoction of Pimpernel.

# 248. Ulcer in the Bladder or Kidneys.

858. Take Decoction of Agrimony, thrice a Day: 859. Or, Decoction, Powder, or Syrup of Horse-tail.

# 249. Ulcer in the Gum or Jaw.

860. Apply Honey of Roses sharpened with Spirit of Vitriol:

861. Or, fill the Whites of Eggs boiled hard and flit, with Myrrh and Sugar-candy powdered. Tie them up, and hang them on Sticks lying across a Glass. A Liquid distills, with which anoint the Sores often in a Day.

# 250. A Fistulous Ulcer.

862. Apply Wood Betony bruised, changing it daily: 863. Or, Leaves of Water-Dock bruised.

# 251. A Bleeding Varicous Ulcer in the Leg,

864. Was cured only by constantly cold Bathing. 252. A

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# 252. A Malignant Ulcer.

865. Foment Morning and Evening, with a Decoction of Mint. Then sprinkle on it finely powder'd Rue:

866. Or, apply Juice of Pimpernel boiled with the Herb.

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#### 253. A Stubborn Ulcer.

867. Burn to Ashes but not too long) the gross Stalks on which the red Coleworts grow. Make a Plaister with this and fresh Butter. Change it once a Day.

868. Or, apply a Poultis of boil'd Parsnips. This will cure even when the Bone is foul.

869. Or, be electrified daily. Tried.

# 254. An easy and safe Vomit.

870. Boil half a Handful of Artichoke-leaves in a Quart of Water. The more you drink of warm Water after it the better:

871. Or, a Dram and a half of Primrose-Root powder'd: It is best if gather'd in August.

872. Or, insuse three Drams of Radish-seed in a Quart of warm Water for twelve Hours. Squeeze off the Water, and take it:

873. Or, pour a Dish of Tea on twenty Grains of Ipecacuanha. You may sweeten it, if you please. When it has stood sour or five Minutes, pour the Tea off clear, and drink it.

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# 255. To Stop Vomiting.

- 874. If the Vomiting be not the Effect of a Medicine; after every Vomiting drink a Pint of warm Water:
- 875. Or, apply a large Onion slit, to the Pit of the Stomach: Tried.
- 876. Or, take a Spoonful of Lemon-juice and fix Grains of Salt of Wormwood:
- 877. Or, infuse an Ounce of Quicksilver in a large Glass full of Water for twenty-four Hours. Then drink the Water: 1.

#### 256. Bloody Urine.

- 878. Take a Quarter of a Pint of Sheeps Milk twice a Day:
- 879. Or, half a Pint of Decoction of Agrimony:
- 880. Or, of Decoction of Yarrow.
- 257. Urine by Drops with Heat and Pain.
- 881. Drink nothing but Lemonade: Tried.
- 882. Or, beat up the Pulp of five or fix roafted Apples with near a Quart of Water. Take it at lying down. It commonly cures before Morning.

# 258. Involuntary Urine.

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884. Or, take a Tea-spoonful of powder'd Agrimony in a little Water, Morning and Evening:

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886. Or, foment with Rose-leaves and Plantaneleaves boiled in Smiths Forge-water. Then apply Plaisters of Alum and Bole Armoniac, made up with Oil and Vinegar.

#### 259. Sharp Urine.

887. Take two Spoonfuls of fresh Juice of Ground-Ivy.

# 260. Suppression of Urine,

888. Is fometimes relieved by Bleeding:

889. Or, drink largely of warm Lemonade : Tried.

890. Or, a Scruple of Nitre, every two Hours:

891. Or, take a Spoonful of Juice of Lemons, fweeten'd with Syrup of Violets:

892. Or, a Spoonful of Juice of Radishes:

893. Or, two Spoonfuls of Juice of Onions.

#### 261. \* Uvula inflamed.

894. Gargle with a Decoction of beaten Hemp-seed:

895. Or, with a Decoction of Dandelion.

262. Uvula

<sup>\*</sup> This is usually called the Palate of the Mouth.

#### 262. Uvula relaxed.

896. Bruise the Veins of a Cabbage-leaf and lay it hot on the Crown of the Head. Repeat, if needed, in two Hours.—I never knew it fail.

897. Or, gargle with Decoction of Water-dock :

898. Or, with an Infusion of Mustard-seed.

# 263. Warts.

899. Rub them daily with a Radish:

900. Or, with Juice of Dandelion:

901. Or, of Marigold Flowers:

902. Or, Water in which Sal Armoniac is dissolved:

903. Or, anoint them four or five Times with the Milk of a Fig-tree:

904. Or, apply bruifed Purstane as a Poultis, changing it twice a Day. It cures in seven or eight Days.

# 264. Weakness in the Ankles.

905. Hold them in cold Water a Quarter of an Hour, Morning and Evening.

# 265. A soft Wen.

906. Wrap Leaves of Sorrel in a wet Paper, and roast them in the Embers. Mix it with finely-fifted Ashes into a Poultis. Apply this warm daily.

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914. in *L*  a large Fist, thus: I made an Instrument of hard Wood, like the Stone with which the Painters grind their Colours on a Marble. With this I rubbed it half an Hour twice a Day. Then I laid on a supperating Plaister very hot, which I kept on four or five Days. The Wen supperated and was open'd. Afterward all the Substance of it turned into Matter and was evacuated. Thus I have cured many since."

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#### 266. The Whites.

908. Feed sparingly. Use Exercise constantly. Sleep moderately, but never lying on your Back:

909. Take eight Grains of Jalap every eight Days.
This usually cures in five Weeks:

910. Or, first bleed. Then purge thrice with twenty Grains of Rhubarb and five of Calomel:

Or, boil four or five Leaves of the white Holy Oak, in a Pint of Milk with a little Sugar. Then add a Tea-spoonful of Balm of Gilead. Drink this every Morning.—It rarely fails.

912. Or, boil an Handful of Dead Nettle-Flowers, and a Dram of Cinnamon in half a Pint of Milk. Drink half of it every Night and Morning:

Sugar, equal Quantities, into small Pills. Take three or four of these Morning and Evening. This also cures most Pains in the Back:

on, in a Quarter of a Pint of Water, wherein three Drams of Tamarinds and a Dram of Lentifk-wood has been boiled, when cold, infuse Sena. Sena, a Dram, Coriander feed and Liquorice a Dram and half each. Let them stand all Night. Strain the Liquor in the Morning, and drink it daily two Hours before Breakfast:

915. Or, take Quickfilver and Aqua Sulphurata, as for an Asthma.—This seldom fails:

916. Or, after Purging, take about fifteen Grains of Ceruse of Antimony in white Wine, twice or thrice a Day. See Menses Nimii.

#### 267. A Whitlow.

917. Apply Treacle: Tried.

918. Or, Honey and Flour : Tried.

919. Or, a Poultis of chew'd Bread. Shift it once a Day:

920. Or, a Plaister of Ground Ivy stampt.

#### 268. Worms.\*

921. Take a Spoonful of Salt in a Glass of Water every Morning:

922. Or, a Tea-cup full of strong Infusion of Peach-leaves, sweetned with Honey, fasting an Hour after:

923. Or, a Dram and a Half of Nitre in Broth: 1.

924. Or, a Spoonful of Juice of Spear-mint:

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<sup>\*</sup> A Child may be known to have the Worms, by Chillness, Paleness, hollow Eyes, Itching of the Nose, Starting in Sleep, and an unusually stinking Breath. — Worms are never found in Children that live wholly on Milk.

925. Or, of Juice of Lemons :

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926. Or, a Glass of Onion Water :

- 927. Or, boil an Ounce of Quick-filver in half a Pint of Spring Water. Use this for common Drink:
- 928. Or, take two Tea-spoonfuls of Worm seed, mixt with Treacle for fix Mornings:
- 929. Or, a Dram of powder'd Fern-root boil'd in Mead. This kills both the flat and round Worms. Repeat the Medicine from Time to Time.

#### 269. Flat Worms.

930. Take Filings of Tin and red Coral, of each an equal Quantity: Pound them together into a very fine Powder: Of which one Dram, made into a Bolus with Conserve of the Tops of Sea-Wormwood, is to be taken twice a Day.

#### 270. Wounds.

- 931. Apply Juice or Powder of Yarrow: I.
- 932. Or, bind Leaves of Ground-Ivy upon it :
- 933. Or, bruised Hyssop, with a little Sugar :
- 934. Or, Wood-betony bruised. This quickly heals even cut Veins and Sinews, or draws out Thorns or Splinters:
- 935. Or, keep the Part in cold Water for an Hour, keeping the Wound closed with your Thumb. Then bind on the thin Skin of an Egg-shell for Days or Weeks, 'till it falls off of itself. Regard not tho' it prick or shoot for a Time.

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271. Contused

#### 271. Contused or lacerated Wounds.

936. Boil half an Ounce of fine Verdigrease in a Pound of Linseed Oil 'till it is dissolved. Anoint therewith.

#### 272. Inward Wounds.

937. Infuse Yarrow twelve Hours in warm Water. Fake a Cup of this four Times a Day. I.

#### 273. Putrid Wounds.

938. Wash them Morning and Evening with warm Decoction of Agrimony. If they heal too soon, and a Matter gather underneath, apply a Poultis of the Leaves pounded, changing them once a Day 'till well.

#### 274. Wounded Tendons.

939. Boil Comfrey Roots to a thick Mucilage, and apply this as a Poultis, changing it once a Day.

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# COLD-BATHING

Cures Young Children of

Coughs,
Cutaneous Inflammations, Pimples, and Scabs,
Gravel,
Inflammations of the Ears, Navel or Mouth,
Rickets,
Suppression of Urine,
Vomiting,
Want of Sleep.

It prevents the Growth of Hereditary

Apoplexies,
Afthma's,
Blindness,
Confumptions,
Deafness,
Deliria,
Gout,
King's-Evil,
Melancholy,
Palsies,
Rheumatism,
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It cures every Nervous, ‡ and every Paralytick Diforder: In particular,

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The Afthma, Ague of every Sort, Atrophy, Blindness,\* Cancer, Chin-cough, Coagulated Blood after Bruises,\* Confumption, Convulsions, Coughs, Complication of Distempers, Convulfive Pains,\* Deafness,\* Dropry, Epilepfy, Fluor Albus, Violent Fevers, Gout, (running) Hectick Fevers. Hen.icrania, Hysterick Pains,\* Incubus, Inflammations,\* Involuntary Stool, or Urine,\* Lameness, Old) Leprofy, Lethargy, Lofs of Appetite, \* of Smell, \* Speech, \* Tafte, \* Nephritick Pains, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the Back, Joints,\* Stomach, Rheumatiims,\*

<sup>†</sup> And this, I apprehend, accounts for its frequently curing the Bite of a mad Dog; especially if it be repeated for twenty-five or thirty Days successively.

Rupture,
Suffocations,
Sciatica,\*
Surfeits, (at the Beginning)
Scorbutick Pains,\*
Swelling on the Joints,
Stone in the Kidneys,
Torpor of the Limbs, even when the Use of them is lost,
Tetanus,
Tympany,
Vertigo,
St. Vitus's Dance,
Vigilia,
Varicous Ulcers.

But in all Cases where the Nerves are obstructed, such as are those marked thus\*) you should go to Bed immediately after, and sweat.

'Tis often useful, to use the Hot Bath a few Days, before you use the Cold.

Wise Parents should dip their Children in cold Water every Morning, 'till they are three Quarters old; and afterward, their Hands and their Feet.

N. B. No Child should ever be swath'd tight. It lays the Foundation for many Diseases.—"Tis best to wean a Child at about seven Months old. They should lie in the Cradle at least a Year. No wise Parent should suffer a Child to drink any Tea; (at least, 'till it is ten or twelve Years old) or to taste Spice or Sugar. Milk, Milk-porridge, and Water-gruel are the proper Breakfasts for Children.

Washing the Head every Morning in cold Water, prevents Rheums, and cures Coughs, of Head-achs, and fore Eyes.

#### Water-drinking prevents

Apoplexies,
Afthma's,
Convultions,
Gout,
Hysterick Fits,
Madness,
Palsies,
Stone,
Trembling.

To this Children should be bred up from the Cradles.

The best Water to drink, especially for those who are much troubled with the Wind, is Rain water. After it has settled, draw it off clear into another Vessel, and it will keep sweet for a long Time.

#### Electrifying in a proper Manner, cures

St. Anthony's Fire,
Blindness,
Blood extravasated,
Bronchocele,
Burns or Scalds,
Coldness in the Feet,
Contraction of the Limbs,
Cramp,
Deafness,
Falling-Sickness,

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Fasting Spittle outwardly applied every Morning, as sometimes relieved, and sometimes cured Blindness,

Blindness.
Contracted Sinews, from a Cut,
Corns, (mixt with chew'd Bread and applied every Morning)
Cuts, (fresh)
Deafness,
Eye-lids, red and inflamed,
Scorbutick Tetters,

Taken inwardly, it relieves or cures

Afthma's,
Cancers,
Falling Sickness,
Gout,
Gravel,
King's Evil,
Leprosy,
Palsy,
Rheumatism,
Scurvy,
Stone,
Swelled Liver.

Sore Legs, Warts.

The best Way is, To eat about an Ounce of hard Bread, or Sea-biscuit, every Morning; fasting two or three Hours after. This should be done, in stubborn Cases, for a Month or six Weeks.

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